

Taroona Community Association

Newsletter



November 2003

From the President

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 20th November. Please nominate for the new committee as the need is urgent. For information telephone 6227 8922 or 6227 8012.

It is a pleasure to report that local resident Peter Gugger (better known as Peter G, ABC newsreader) has volunteered for the task of Taroona rainfall reader for the Bureau of Meteorology. We wish him well in this position.

A further litter drive was undertaken on 20th September. Thanks are due to the stalwart members who turn out for this task each quarter. It is a significant community activity and a great source of exercise. Hopefully it is also a reminder to passers by to dispose of items carefully. The next litter drive is on Saturday 6th December. Please participate if possible. For information telephone 6227 8922.

We can look back on an active year for the Association. My personal thanks are due to all who have supported our activities in many ways.

Annette Hitchman

*The Committee
and members of the Taroona
Community Association
wish all residents a happy and
relaxing Christmas
and a prosperous New Year*



*Sunday December 14th.
Taroona Community Carols
High School Gym.*

Annual General Meeting Taroona Community Association

20th November 2003

7.30 pm

Taroona Community Hall

All welcome

Business: Reports, election of office bearers and committee for 2004.

Guest Speaker: Local resident Peter G talks about "Life with Auntie".

Taroona Tennis Club

The Taroona Tennis Club is in a healthy state at present, with organised social tennis on a number of days each week and Taroona teams in inter-club competitions. Courts are often available for families and groups of friends who wish to play.

Opportunities are currently being provided for juniors to play regularly. A junior pennant is being conducted at the club on Thursday afternoons, involving children from Taroona, Waimea, Mt Nelson and Princes Street Primary Schools. A social evening for juniors is planned for early 2004.

The facilities at the Taroona tennis Club are always well maintained and improvements are made when possible. Recently native plants were put in behind the courts to provide a windbreak, and the clubhouse is currently being extended.



Annual subscriptions are now due. Fees are: Adult \$105, Family (up to two adults and two children) \$210, Junior (under 18) and full time student \$30. Adults and families pay a joining fee of \$10. Visitors are welcome to play on an occasional basis and are asked to pay \$2 per person hour.

Enquiries Diane Balding (Sec) Tel 6227 9232

Taroona Playgroup

Taroona playgroup meets at Taroona Community Hall Tuesdays from 10 am until midday during school terms.

Taroona playgroup is a 'free play' environment for pre-school children, toddlers and babies, with a wide range of toys, play equipment and activities including painting, drawing, sand play, playdough, music, craft and trike riding. New mums are very welcome!

Playgroup is an excellent opportunity to meet other local mums, dads and carers. Morning tea is provided. Our hall is bright, warm and modern, with baby care facilities and a fantastic child safe playground. New comers are welcome throughout the year.

All you need to bring is \$2.00 per week to cover costs and a piece of fruit to contribute to morning tea for the children. Annual membership is \$23 (\$16 conc.) which covers insurance.

Playgroup Association of Tasmania membership provides access to toys for hire, equipment and craft supplies for purchase and discount shopping at local businesses. The Association organises community events such as the Mega Playgroup, Teddy Bears Picnic and concerts by visiting children's entertainers.

Members of Taroona Playgroup may host children's birthday parties at the hall with use of all playgroup facilities, at a small cost (plus hall hire fees).

For more information
telephone *Taroona*
Playgroup on 6227 9380
(Belinda Cooper,
President.)



Australian Red Cross Taroona Branch

The local branch of Australian Red Cross, which has played an important role in the community for some forty years, is currently seeking new members.

We meet on the third Monday of each month at 10.30 am at 26 Channel Highway for coffee and a chat and to organise our annual fundraising event and our roster for the Opportunity Shop in Hobart. Currently we provide staff for two shifts a month at the shop.

Our December meeting will be a Christmas get together, and our first meeting of the new year will be on Monday January 19th.

We are a friendly group whose objectives are to support Red Cross. Annual membership is \$5.00. For information please telephone

Olive Price on 6227 9260.

Local Business

Residents will have noticed changes to the Shopping Centre in recent months with closure of the Hair Salon and Pharmacy. We thank Roseanne Anderson and Michelle Clarke, and John and Robert Beaumont for services provided to our community over many years. These changes are a reminder of the view long publicised by the Association of the need for LOCAL support for local businesses.

On a brighter note, the new owners are undertaking a major refurbishment of the Centre and are seeking input from residents. A suggestion book is in the Library. Please assist in the process as soon as possible and please support the revitalised Shopping Centre.

Kingston Online Access Centre

Taroona residents are invited to join the Kingston Online Access Centre, which offers low cost access to computers and the Internet in a friendly setting. Membership is free.

The Centre is located in the State Library at Channel Court Kingston, Members pay only \$3.00 (\$2.00 conc.) for a one hour booking, one-to-one help is always available.

Use the computers and the internet for any legitimate purpose, or take a course or join a group. The family history sessions, Kids Club and Seniors Online are very popular.

Enquiries: telephone: 6229 9255.

Kingston Online opening hours:

Mon – Tuesday: 9.30 am to 5.30 pm

Wednesday: 8.00 am to 5.30 pm

Thursday: 9.30 am to 7.30 pm

Friday: 9.30 am to 5.30 pm

Saturday: 10.30 am to 1.30 pm.

Taroona Community Library

The library in the Shopping Centre is an Association activity and is run by volunteers as a community project.

All books have been donated.

New members welcome.

Hours of operation

Mon-Thurs 10.30 am – 2.30 pm

Friday 10.30 am – 5 pm

Saturday 10.30 am – 12 noon

2004 memberships now available.

\$5.00 + 20 c per book or

\$10.00 includes access to all books.

CWA – Taroona Branch News

Congratulations to long time Taroona resident and CWA member Marie Brownlie. At the State Conference in September she was presented with Life Membership of the Country Women's Association of Tasmania for her outstanding contribution to the CWA. She has brought her talents of music and singing to many people, both to 'Countrywomen' and to the community in general. Although in her 80s Marie is still representing the CWA in Taroona.

Hobart to host International ACWW Conference

The Associated Country Women of the World, ACWW, will hold its Triennial Conference from 22-30 March, 2004 at the Grand Chancellor Hotel in Hobart.

The Country Women's Assoc. of Australia is an associate member of the ACWW, whose aims are:

- To raise the standard of living of rural women and families through education, training and community development programmes.
- To provide practical support to its members.
- To give rural women a voice at International level through its links with the UN agencies.

The local organising committee is working hard to create a memorable

week for the 600 plus members from all over the world who have already registered.

Would you like to know more?

Please contact CWA State office telephone 6231 3706.

Dates to remember

November 2003

- *Fri 14: St Luke's Twilight Fair and BBQ from 5 pm*
- *Thurs 20: TCA AGM*
- *Thurs. 27: Child Health morning tea (6227 8374)*
- *Sun 30: Taroona community market*

December 2003

- *Sat 6: Litter Drive (6227 8922)*
- *Sun 14: Taroona Community Carols, High School Gym.*
- *Sat. 20: Christmas Truck*
- *Christmas Day service at St Luke's Church, 9 am.*

Community Groups Information

The State Library and Online Access Centres provide a free service to community groups wishing to post details on the Internet. You can find this list at www.tco.asn.au

If you would like to list your group's contact and other details, contact *Deirdre Brown on 6227 8611.*

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 are open to all residents and an annual meeting elects a committee to conduct the Association's business.

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