



Taroona News

*We respectfully remember the Muwinina whose homelands we now live upon here in Taroona.
We are grateful for their care of the land and for the deep knowledge their descendants carry.*

Dear Taroona residents,

Spring is here and with it the usual variable spring weather; snow on the mountain, warm and sunny one minute and cold and blowy the next. We hope you have managed to get outside and enjoy the beautiful spring displays in so many of the gardens of Taroona.

With the warming weather come thoughts of the upcoming bushfire season. The BoM and Tas Fire Service outlook is for a normal fire season which means you need to prepare your house and land and have a bushfire plan in place in case of an emergency. A guide on how to do this is included in a pull-out centre-spread of this newsletter.

The TCA, with a lot of support from Deirdre Brown, applied for and were successful in getting a Kingborough Council grant to update the Taroona website. This site gets 2500-3000 visits per month and once it is upgraded we know it will continue to serve the needs of all groups within Taroona well into the future.

You may know that Kingborough Council has a new CEO, Dave Stewart, who expressed that he was keen to meet with us. So on a cold blustery day we took him on a walk around Taroona, highlighting all the wonderful things that happen here, the things that definitely need Council attention, and the things on our wish list. He was already well informed, and he was a good listener – so we look forward to a mutually beneficial working relationship into the future.

Finally, and with great excitement, we present details of our **TAROONA COMMUNITY EXPO!!** In response to people telling us that it's a pity that there are no big community led events in Taroona these days, we decided to organise an Expo to showcase all the wonderful clubs, groups and talented individuals in our suburb. The response from everyone was extraordinarily positive, so that now it would probably be better described as a festival. It will be an afternoon with something for everyone; good food and coffee, games, music, art, stalls and more. **There will be lots of action on the day with children, games and picknicking in the open area, so please leave your dog behind.** Have a good look at the program included in this newsletter (and a big thank you to Llewyn Tubb for designing our event posters).

We look forward to seeing you there.

– Anne Parrott and Fiona Rice, Co-Presidents, TCA



Calendar

October

Tues 29 **IMAS drop-in session**, time and details TBA

November

Fri 1 **Evening get-together**, Taroona Village, 5-8pm

Sat 2 **Taroona Crop Swap**, Taroona Neighbourhood Garden, 10am

Sun 3 **Taroona Community Expo, Taroona Community Hall, Park and surrounds, 12-4**

Sat 9 **St Luke's Spring Festival**, 12-3pm

Mon 11 **Remembrance Day service**, Taroona War Memorial, 10.30am. *Everyone invited.* Morning tea, Community Hall, after the service.

December

Tues 3 **TEN Annual Picnic Lunch**, Taroona Park

Sat 7 **Taroona Crop Swap**, Taroona Neighbourhood Garden, 10am

Sat 7 **Taroona Sippers and Purlers**, Shot Tower Cafe, 2-4pm

Sun 8 **TEN Working Bee**, Niree Parade – weeding, 10am-12

Sat 14 **Scouts Christmas Tree and Produce sale**, Grange Picnic Area

STOP PRESS!

The long awaited Local Provisions Schedule for Kingborough is now out for comment. This planning document outlines how zones and codes from the State Planning Provisions will be applied to Taroona. **This could affect you** so look carefully at the document, attend an information session and make a submission. <https://www.kingborough.tas.gov.au/development/incoming-draft-tasmanian-planning-scheme/>

TAROONA — EXPO —

SUNDAY
3RD NOV
12 - 4PM

WHAT'S ON?

Local legend Peter Gee will be there to step us through the day, but here's a preview:

SO MUCH FOOD!

- Coffee van - Helios
- High Tea (Neighbourhood Garden)
- BBQ – sausages, vegetarian options & more (at Scout Hall)
- Egg & bacon muffins, hamburgers, GF options (Rotary)
- Seasonal nutritious & delicious food (by Susie, FoodKind)
- Sandwiches & tea /coffee (Ex-Services and Catholic Church)
- Cakes, biscuits and slices (by Tarooma Football Club)
- Canopy Ice cream (by Ricardo, made in Tarooma)
- Pancakes (by St Lukes Church at the Scout Hall)

THE GREAT TAROONA CHALLENGE

An unmissable one-hour event!

Tarooma folk love a good fun and competitive intellectual and physical challenge. See the flier in this newsletter for details.

Sign up your team asap to TPS parent, Sam Cuff:

Samcuff@hotmail.com / 0409 325 090.

THE AUGUSTA SINGERS

If you've never heard them you're in for a treat, but you need to be at the Expo at midday as these extraordinary Acapella singers are our opening act.

FIELD GAMES

A warm-up for the Great Tarooma Challenge! How long is it since you tossed a gum boot? Or did a 3-legged race? Join in on these old-time field races, run by Scout Leaders.

ART WORKSHOPS

Local artist Lucy Bleach has organised art workshops in The Cottage, beside the Tarooma Hall playground. Limited places. Sign up now so you don't miss out! – or sign up on the day. All workshops child-friendly, with adult supervision.

Contact Lucy: lucy.bleach2018@gmail.com / 0448 924 728

- 12.15-1.00: Linocut Printing with Jon Parrott
- 1.00-2.00: Sound Capturing Walk with Bryan Phillips
- 2.00-3.00: Collage Club with Ileigh & Will
- 3.00-4.00: Experimental Portraiture through Drawing and Sculpture with Rosie McKean & Lucy Bleach

NATURE WALK: "the little creatures that run the world"

Join Simon Grove, local naturalist, for a one-hour mindful meander through Tarooma Park, with a chance to encounter bugs, birds and who knows what else! Children welcome. Bring an open mind, and, if you like, a jar, bug-box, binoculars or camera.

Departs Community Hall deck, 12.30pm.

TAROONA'S GOT TALENT (for Primary School students)

It has indeed! And most of it starts at school. Students had a practice run at school last term and now they're taking their acts to the 'big stage'. Support them as they sing, dance, play and perform. Find them near the outdoor café, behind the hall.

Parents: Children must sign up their act at school office.

TAROONA HIGH CONTEMPORARY BANDS

Head over to the Bowlo where Tarooma High student bands will be performing, along with local George Hayden from Sound Lab.

\$\$ BRING CASH \$\$

Many community groups and small business won't take card.



PLEASE TREAD LIGHTLY & MAKE YOURSELF COMFY

BYO picnic blanket, keep cups, drink bottles, plates and utensils. Water refill stations provided.

Taroona Community Hall, Taroona Park & surrounding clubs

MIX TOGETHER ... Hundreds of people + every Taroona community group + over 20 stalls + very good food + great coffee + high tea + field games + art workshops + music + nature walk + Taroona's Got Talent + The Great Taroona Challenge
= LOADS OF FUN FOR EVERYONE! DON'T MISS IT!

MEET OUR CLUBS, GROUPS, LOCAL BUSINESSES & DESIGNERS

ON LOCATION

- Neighbourhood Garden – High Tea, plant sales, Crop Swap
- Fire Brigade – Sit in the truck!
- Tennis Club (12-2) – Come'n'try
- Bowls Club – Barefoot bowls
- Scouts – Displays, field games

ON THE GREEN (behind community hall)

- Taroona Football Club (Cake stall)
- Taroona Environment Network
- Friends of Tasmanian Wildlife
- St Lukes Church (tots' play space)
- Fresh flowers (Marian, 'Taroona Gardens')
- 'Roaming Trees' Storyteller (Tamas Oswald)

INSIDE THE HALL

- Taroona Hall committee – displays
- Taroona Ex Services – memorabilia display
- Possums Playcentre – scavenger hunt
- TOSSAS & WOSSAS – ocean swimming
- Table tennis – meet the players
- Sippers and Purlers – meet the knitters
- Brown River History Group – meet the historians
- University of the Third Age – meet the members
- Rotary Club of Sandy Bay – displays
- IMAS – latest research
- Simon Grove – Author, 'Seasons in the South'
- Mick Brown – Nature photographer
- Svend & Duncan – fine furniture & lighting
- Suzanne King – Reiki
- Alan Clark – Palmistry
- Helen Page – Yoga
- Rachel – Restore Massage / Kunzea Tasmania
- Tina – naming Taroona's gullies – have your say!

EVENT PROGRAMME

A sneak preview! (some details still being finalised)

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
12.00	FORMAL OPENING: Peter Gee and Anne Parrott PERFORMANCE: AUGUSTA SINGERS	Hall
12.15-4.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COMMUNITY HALL DISPLAYS • NEIGHBOURHOOD GARDEN (High Tea, plant sales) • SCOUT HALL DISPLAYS • FIRE TRUCK • BAREFOOT BOWLS @ THE BOWLO 	Hall and club sites
12.15-2.00	TENNIS COME'N'TRY	Tennis Courts
12.15-2.15	TAROONA'S GOT TALENT (Primary School children)	Outdoor café (behind Cottage)
12.15-4.00	ART WORKSHOPS FOR ALL AGES	The Cottage
12.30-1.30	NATURE WALK WITH SIMON GROVE	Taroona Park bushland
12.30-4.00	THS CONTEMPORARY BANDS	Bowlo
12.30-2.15	FIELD GAMES (run by Scout Leaders)	On the Green
2.30-3.30	THE GREAT TAROONA CHALLENGE	On the Green
4.00	FORMAL CLOSE & PRIZES	Taroona Hall



WHAT ABOUT YOUR DOG?

There will be lots of action on the day with children, games and picnicking in the open area, so please leave your dog at home to avoid any mishaps.



Disabled parking available on Batchelor Way. Community Hall and rear deck are wheelchair accessible.

WE THANK YOU!

The TCA sincerely thanks all community clubs, groups, businesses and individuals who have signed up to participate. It's going to be a wonderful celebration of our community.



THE GREAT TAROONA CHALLENGE

PRIZES!
FOR BEST DRESSED TEAM & MOST CORRECT ANSWERS

How well do you know Taroona?
Are you good at solving cryptic clues?
Do you love a good challenge? Do you love to dress up?!

This challenge will have you and your crazily-dressed team mates dashing from place to place within Taroona Park, answering questions, solving straight clues, cryptic clues and doing physical challenges. **A challenge for ALL ages!**

**SUNDAY
NOV 3RD
2.30-3.30PM**
(PART OF THE TAROONA COMMUNITY EXPO)

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

- Form a team** (3-6 is a good size). Families or groups with mixed ages works best to solve all clues and do the variety of challenges. Come up with a team costume – and a team name.
- Sign up** by contacting Sam Cuff: Samcuffy@hotmail.com / 0409 325 090 or sign up on the day
- On event day:** Register your team from 12.15pm at the registration table in Taroona Park, behind the Community Hall.
- Event start:** Be at the registration table 15 minutes before 2.30pm start (2.15pm).



WHERE:
Taroona Community Expo, Taroona Park (behind the Community Hall)

NOTE:
The Challenge is within the boundary of Taroona Park. Uneven ground surfaces. Wear sensible shoes.

THE GREAT TAROONA CHALLENGE IS PART OF THE

TAROONA EXPO

PROUDLY ORGANISED BY



TCA subscriptions due

The TCA's only regular form of income is from our annual \$10 subs (due 1st July).

Organising the Taroona Community Expo to celebrate all things Taroona is not only a massive volunteer effort from many, but it also comes with significant unavoidable expenses for the TCA, mainly a hefty public liability insurance to run a community event. Please help us meet these costs by paying your \$10 sub now. We also accept donations for specific community projects and are keen for your ideas.

Paid up members receive a lucky door ticket at the Expo to go in the draw for great prizes, donated by generous local businesses.

To join you can do a bank transfer to the Taroona Community Association:

BSB 067102:

Account number 28011079

or pop \$10 in the letterbox at 19 Oakleigh Ave.



Thank you in anticipation

– TCA committee



It's been a busy term at Possums – exploring our local area and connecting with the wider community through events like the lantern festival. The Bunnings Fundraiser was a huge success. A big thanks to all the parents involved.

Possums is now taking enrolments for 2025. For more info 0418 390 432 or check out our ad on p 27.



Planning Matters!!

New planning scheme

The Tasmanian Government is in the process of moving all Councils to a single Planning Scheme, known as the Tasmanian Planning Scheme. It is made of two parts: the State Planning Provisions, and Local Provisions Schedules (the latter applies to specific Council areas).

Kingborough Council has recently announced its **60-day public exhibition period (9/10/24-9/12-24)** for its *Local Provisions Schedule*.

New planning rules, zones and codes will apply. **The new provisions will result in a relaxation of rules, which will make it more difficult to protect the values some of us hold dear in Taroona. Conversely, it also allows certain types of development to proceed more easily, which some may find a positive move.**

To get an overview, information sessions are to be held and the closest to Taroona will be on Tuesday, 5 November, 10am–12pm and 4pm–7pm at the Kingborough Community Hub in Kingston.

If you want specific information about Taroona, your property or the new provisions, we encourage you to go to the Council's helpful portal where you can access a digital map and identify specific properties which will provide information on the current and proposed zoning. Go to <https://www.kingborough.tas.gov.au/development/incoming-draft-tasmanian-planning-scheme/local-provisions-schedule/> and click on the draft mapping button.

Specific enquiries and representations can also be lodged through the website planning scheme portal, or you can phone to make an appointment.

Development Assessment Panels

In addition to new planning controls, this past year the State Government announced the development of new legislation to allow certain Development Applications to be determined by independent Development Assessment Panels (DAPs) appointed by the Tasmanian Planning Commission. This will allow property developers to bypass local councils and communities and remove elected councillors having a say on selected developments affecting local communities.

The government released a report on consultation undertaken in late 2023, which was followed by the release of the draft bill Land Use Planning and Approvals Amendment (Development Assessment Panels) Bill 2024 which will set up the DAPs. The draft bill is open for a 5-week period of consultation from 7 October to 12 November. If you are concerned with the potential implications of this process, we encourage you to go to the State Planning Office website <https://www.stateplanning.tas.gov.au/have-your-say/consultations/lupaa-amendments/draft-lupaa-development-assessment-panel-amendment-bill-2024>

Current Developments in Taroona



No 5 Grange Avenue, Taroona

A new unit development is being completed in Jenkins Street (within the Local Business Zone) and there is a current Development Application for a 3-storey unit development at 150-152 Channel Highway beside The Village shopping centre (to replace the two weatherboard houses beside the carpark). Another 12-unit development is also proposed (but not yet advertised) by Errol Stewart at the old Mary's Grange Nursing Home at 5 Grange Avenue. In a recent media report Mr. Stewart stated it will be two new apartment towers of four levels each, plus renovating surrounding buildings to units. The TCA and residents are keen to view the plans to determine its impact on local character and amenity. – Jill Hickie, Taroona Community Association



We can't believe we will be celebrating one year of Helios Coffee Van!

We'd like to thank all of our customers for their patience, positivity, and continuous support.

As a team we've come a long way since opening day! We wouldn't have made it without the hardworking past baristas, Lulu, Eliza and Bel, who all lent their hand making our current team what it is today!

Lani, Louie and myself are excited to continue serving smiles and coffee as the summer comes! – Helen

Council Wrap with Cr Kaspar Deane



In this 'wrap', I begin with a shout-out to one of my favourite places in Taroona, followed by an update of the latest planning news, a Nubeena speed limit reduction, and finally a comment on Council's new aquatic facility committee.*

Bowls & Community Club – 8-Ball Heroics & Green Opening

Taroona is known for a few things (most scientists per capita, bendiest main street, most picturesque soccer pitch, best suburb in Hobart!), but not everyone would know that our bowls club is home to some of Tasmania's finest 8-ball players. In just their second season, the mighty Taroona 'Pterodactyls' have reached the South East Tasmanian 8 Ball Association's Grand Final. I was lucky enough to witness the home-side pinch a tight 13-10 victory to send Taroona into the big dance – go the Dactyls!



The mighty Taroona 'Pterodactyls'

A few days earlier, I also attended the opening of the bowls green for the new season, alongside Kingborough Mayor Paula Wriedt. Despite the Mayor outclassing me in a 'bowl-off', it was great to see the Mayor down our way to officially launch the bowls season – good luck to all the teams competing this year!

And finally, the club is always on the look-out for bowlers. But, if like me, you prefer the hospitality of the bar, the club is open most evenings. The Friday night fish & chips and meat raffle are a good excuse as any to call in.

Development news

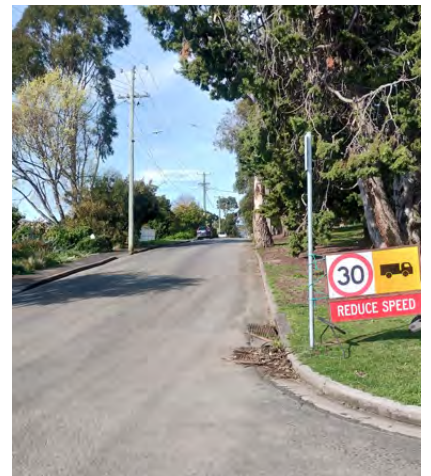
Residents might have noticed a spike in development activity around Taroona: the new Jenkins Street apartments are nearing completion, renovations have begun at the site of the former Korean Presbyterian Church, a development application was submitted for 18 units & retail spaces above the old shopping centre, and news broke that the old Mary's Grange nursing home is set to be redeveloped into apartments.

It's great to see these unused sites being brought back to life. These however, remain largely 'development anomalies' in the wider Taroona context. Both the 18-unit development and the Jenkins Street apartments are zoned 'Local Business' which differs from the 'Low-Density Residential' zone which covers the vast majority of Taroona.

If you have any questions about development or about Kingborough's upcoming transition to the new Tasmanian Planning Scheme, I encourage you to visit Council's website which has an excellent set of resources that help explain what's happening in planning.

Nubeena Speed Limit

Thanks everyone (especially Nubeena residents) for your patience with the extra traffic being generated from the IMAS upgrade. I requested Council put in a temporary speed limit in what feels like an age ago, and I'm glad to see this has now been implemented. If you've got any questions or concerns (or the 30kmh sign goes missing again!), please contact me or Council staff at kc@kingborough.tas.gov.au



A Kingborough Aquatic Facility

A quality public facility located in Kingston has long been a wish of residents. Council's finances taking a downward turn and a lack of external funding mean building an aquatic facility in Kingston remains a challenging prospect. Council recognises the community demand though and so has created an aquatic facility committee to further explore the idea.

The committee only recently formed, and as Chair I was overwhelmed with interest from community members wanting to be involved. The make-up of the ten member committee is extremely impressive (and includes a few Taroona residents), and so I'm confident that we've got an excellent group to try and make things happen.

If you've got any questions or comments about any of the above, or anything else Council-related, please contact me at cr.kaspardeane@kingborough.tas.gov.au.

Best Spring wishes! – Councillor Kaspar Deane

**Disclaimer - views stated here are my own as an individual Councillor and are not representative of Kingborough Council as a whole.*



As the bushfire season approaches, we are reminded to reduce the fire risk by clearing out dead branches and pruning back shrubbery near our houses. Disposing of green waste can be challenging for householders, just as it is for TEN at the end of a working bee. Recently TEN has trialed a new approach to weed disposal – turning it into biochar!

For many years Hobart Councillor Bill Harvey has pioneered partnering with community groups in burning their green waste in a purpose-built mobile kiln at high temperatures of 500-700°C and in an oxygen-limited environment. This process of pyrolysis generates a charcoal-like material, called biochar. This product is not a fertiliser on its own but acts as a sponge when charged with nutrients from seaweed extracts or other fertilisers. Digging biochar into the soil promotes soil health for microbes and worms and increases water and nutrient retention. Most importantly, this process returns carbon to the soil rather than releasing it to the atmosphere as carbon dioxide (when burning piles in the traditional way) or methane (when left to rot). Indigenous tribes in the Amazon basin used this process to produce “Terra Preta” (black earth) as early as 2500 years ago.

Over the past year, TEN has engaged with Bill in several demonstrations of this technology, both at the Taroona Fire Station and in the Rotary Reserve. On 24 August, Bill once again supplied his kiln to help us convert a large pile of green waste from a previous working bee to 680 litres of biochar, equivalent to sequestering 1020 kg of CO₂, while also removing a fire hazard from Rotary Park near the pump track. The biochar was distributed to TEN members and volunteers as well as the Taroona Neighbourhood Garden, to improve soil productivity. If you would like to try some biochar in your garden, be sure to come to our stall at the forthcoming Taroona Community Expo!

At our September working bee, 16 very energetic volunteers took up “the blackberry challenge” at the mouth of Taroona Park Creek at Taroona Beach. These blackberries had been a thorn in our side for 25 years and it was hugely satisfying to remove them all and to prepare the site for planting with Taroona coastal natives. Thanks to Kate from Sage Gardening for carting a full trailer load of green waste to the tip. We did not



NIGEL RICHARDSON



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From top:

- 1/ TEN volunteers start work on the blackberry patch.
- 2/ Job done!
- 3/ The fire has been extinguished and volunteers can now empty the biochar into containers.

have access to a biochar kiln this time but TEN is keen to pursue the idea of a Taroona community biochar kiln, which could be shared by groups and individuals to dispose of green waste in an environmentally friendly way.

– Gustaaf Hallegraef & Nigel Richardson, TEN Committee Members

Who's in The Village these days?

The old shopping centre might look a little sleepy from Channel Highway, but there is a lot going on inside The Village! Let us introduce you to the 10 businesses and the lovely people who run them. You'll get to meet many of them at **The Taroona Community Expo**. A few of them are also having an evening get together at The Village on Friday 1st Nov, 5–8pm, to which everyone is invited (see invitation below).

1 The Bazaar Gallery



The lovely Yasmin is the newest arrival in The Village, opening her gallery in July this year. Born and bred in Sydney, Yasmin's background is in health and farm reforestation. She came to live in Tassie six years ago to be closer to its wilderness, and like so many of us, is happy to call it home. Yasmin's gallery pieces represent her passion

for tribal art and her respect for the skills of the tribespeople. She highly values the simplicity of their art, always fit for purpose, and imbued with meaning. Yasmin also carries an eclectic range of furniture that is functional, beautiful and unique, and her gallery walls are adorned with a lovely variety of paintings by several renowned Tasmanian artists.

Open: Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 10am–3pm

Phone: 0478 170 900

Email: kybhas@yahoo.com

PLANTZ INDOORZ & The Bazaar Gallery Invite You To...

An Evening of
Music, Food, Wine, Aromatherapy, Ice Cream
Antiques and PLANTS

Friday the 1st of November from 5pm to 8:00pm

Mixed Items and PLANT AUCTION (with live auctioneer)
Lucky Door Prizes and Surprises

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amazing Scents • Southside Yo! • Wine on the Web • FoodKind • Nostimo • Canopy Ice Cream • Musician - Matt Ralph 	<p>148 Channel Highway, Taroona <i>(Old Shopping Village)</i></p> <p><i>Enquiries:</i> amanda@plantzindoorz.com</p>
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PLANTZ INDOORZ
& The Bazaar Gallery

2 Plantz Indoorz



Amanda's plant business is thriving. Her biggest market is hiring living plants to businesses around the State. She also hires for weddings and house stagings. Importantly, you can also buy them for your home. Visit her showroom at The Village to select from a great range of exceptionally healthy, well-priced indoor plants – including some very impressive mature

plants. You'll also find a great range of pots, beautiful baskets handmade in Ghana from elephant grass, and other plant-themed homewares. Amanda is a Taroona local and has been in The Village since 2022, but has recently moved to the northern end of the building to a much sunnier spot.

Open: Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 10am–2pm.

Phone: 0417 303 544 | **Email:** amanda@plantzindoorz.com

www.plantzindoorz.com

3 The Dog Clinic

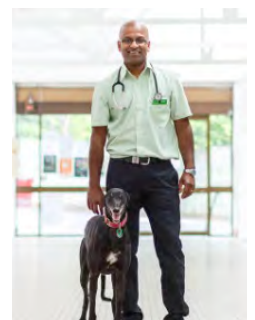
Veterinarian Dr Raj Wicks first opened The Dog Clinic at The Village in 2014 – in fact, The Dog Clinic in Taroona was Australia's first dog-only clinic! Raj now has a team of about 16 staff here and at his other suite in Sandy Bay. Raj graduated as a vet from University of Queensland in 2000.

Opening hours: Monday to Friday, 8.30–5.30, Saturday: 9–12.

Phone: 6227 9586

www.thedogclinic.com.au

Email: info@thedogclinic.com.au



4 Creative Ministry Resources

Patrick Nisbet has run his business from The Village for 15 years. Creative Ministry Resources provides online liturgical resources for Catholic parishes and schools in Australia and the US. They also run online educational assessments for Catholic schools in Australia and New Zealand. Patrick and his team have experience in education, admin, data management, web design, editing, and print and broadcast media.

Phone: 6234 7917 | **Email:** enquiries@liturgyhelp.com

www.liturgyhelp.com



5 FoodKind



For the last four years, Chef Susie Odell has been cooking nourishing meals, using locally grown ingredients and delivering to local residents. FoodKind moved its kitchen production to Taroona Village earlier this year.

FoodKind's aim is to make serving and eating meals a joy, with an ever-changing weekly menu including soups, salads, and substantial dishes. 95% of

all packaging is reusable and a focus on sustainability is at the heart of all production practices. Susie's business is going so well that she now also delivers from Lenah Valley to Snug, and has several pick-up locations. Moving from Suffolk in the UK, Susie has been loving being a Tasmanian since 2010. With over 35 years' experience as a chef, Susie loves all the wonderful fresh, local produce Tassie has to offer! When Susie's not in the kitchen, you might see her in the river – she's an addicted year-round ocean swimmer.

Phone: 0458 739 025 | **Email:** info@foodkind.com.au

Facebook: FoodKind | **Insta:** #FoodKind_kindfood

www.foodkind.com.au (go here for the weekly menu)

6 Nostimo Fresh Pasta



Patrick Caplice makes delicious handmade fresh pasta using high protein Australia Durum Semolina and Tasmanian

free-range eggs. He shares a kitchen space with FoodKind.

7 Restore Remedial

Local resident Selena Hagan established Restore Remedial in 2001. She is joined by therapist Rachel Davidson. Together they offer a variety of massage therapies, including relaxation, remedial, sports, deep tissue, pregnancy, manual lymphatic drainage, hot stone, and modern cupping.

Opening: Monday – Saturday, various times including evenings.

Selena: 0438 292 261 / selena@restoreremedial.com.au

Rachel: 0437 858 828 / r.massage.clinic@gmail.com

www.restoreremedial.com.au



Kunzea Tasmania (www.kunzeatas.com.au) – Rachel is also a local stockist for (100% Tasmanian) Kunzea Tasmania products. Kunzea oil is known for its anti-inflammatory and pain-relieving properties. Her sales (and massage) come with a broad smile and a pat from her friendly dog, Bud.



8 Canopy Ice Cream



Founded by the energetic and enthusiastic Ricardo Brozek in 2020, CANOPY ICE CREAM has been based at the Taroona Village Shopping Centre since its inception. Made from the finest local ingredients, he handcrafts each batch

in small quantities to ensure only the freshest produce is used. He collaborates closely with local farmers, and has a strong commitment to reducing waste, composting, and recycling. CANOPY has garnered multiple prestigious awards, including Champion Ice Cream at the Royal Tasmanian Fine Food Awards. You can find CANOPY ICE CREAM at Salamanca Market (Site 183) every Saturday, as well as at farmers markets across Hobart, including Bream Creek, Judbury, and Small Town Market (Dodges Ferry). And... meet Ricardo at the Taroona Community Expo!

Phone: 0432 934 913 | www.canopyicecream.com.au

Email: rbrozek@hotmail.com | **facebook/insta:** @canopyicecream

9 Philadelphia Bakers



Corey and Nurul, founders of Philadelphia Bakers, have been baking in The Village since 2017. Philadelphia Bakers is a sourdough bakery making conventional and organic sourdough products. We miss them not

having their little shopfront in The Village for great coffee, chats, and delicious treats, as they now only sell their delicious sourdough breads and sweets at the **Farm Gate Market on Sundays in Bathurst Street** – but it's well worth the drive or cycle! Former residents of Taroona, Corey and Nurul moved to Geeveston, but we are lucky they still choose to bake here.

Phone: 0426 916 940 | www.facebook.com/PhiladelphiaBakers

Email: info@philadelphiabakers.com.au

10 The Wash House Hobart



Stuart Allen and his team of five staff have been operating out of The Village since 2023. Their focus is on providing exceptionally clean, well-folded laundry to cafes, restaurants, hair salons,

health services, Airbnb's and holiday rentals. If laundry is your least favourite household chore, they also do domestic laundry. They offer a pick-up and delivery service, and use energy-efficient machines and biodegradable detergents. Stuart and his family live in Glenorchy.

Phone: 6144 6411 | **Insta:** Instagram.com/wash.house.hobart



Q&A: All About Taroona Crop Swap



Taroona's Crop Swap is more than just an exchange of fruits and vegetables—it's a lively, welcoming community event that encourages sharing and connection. Whether you have an abundance of homegrown produce or are simply passionate about food and gardening, Crop Swap is a fantastic way to meet like-minded people, share excess, and reduce waste.

We know many people are curious about how it works, so we've gathered a few frequently asked questions to help you feel comfortable jumping in. Let's get started!

Q: I don't have a garden, but I want to join in. What could I bring?

A: No garden? No problem! Crop Swap is about more than just produce. There are plenty of things you can bring if you're not growing food at home:

- **Sprouts:** You can easily grow sprouts on your windowsill. They're quick, easy, and nutritious!
- **Baked goods:** Do you enjoy baking? Homemade bread, muffins, or cookies are always appreciated.
- **Kitchen items:** Bring glass jars, cooking tools, or other kitchen items that someone else may need.
- **Gardening and cooking books:** Share your knowledge with others by passing along a good read.

There are countless ways to get involved and contribute without a garden!

Q: How does the swap work?

A: It's simple and fun! When you arrive, everyone lays their items out on the tables. We begin with a quick introduction where participants tell the group what they've brought. Then, once the introductions are over, the swap begins.

Everything laid out on the table is available to take, and the best part is – there's no bartering or complex trading involved. Just grab what you'd like! It's all about giving and receiving freely.

Q: Can I come and buy produce?

A: No, Crop Swap isn't a marketplace – it's a **free sharing event**. Think of it like bartering, but easier. You don't need to negotiate or trade directly with someone; everything on the table is available for everyone. The goal is to encourage community sharing, not selling.

Q: How long does the event usually take?

A: The swap starts promptly at 10 am. However, people are encouraged to arrive a bit earlier to set out their contributions. The actual swap tends to be very lively and mostly wraps up within 20 minutes, so it's important to arrive on time to avoid missing out!

After the swap, we have morning tea together, which is a lovely opportunity to chat, make new friends, and enjoy some homemade treats. It's a relaxed and fun atmosphere that goes beyond the swap itself.

Q: What can I bring?

A: We encourage participants to bring anything related to **food, gardening, or cooking**. Here are some ideas:

- **Excess produce:** Fruits, vegetables, herbs, etc.
- **Plants:** Edible plants, cuttings, or seedlings.
- **Seeds:** Share the bounty of your garden with others.
- **Flowers:** We love seeing flowers that support food production, like companion plants or natives.
- **Garden tools:** Have extra tools, gloves, or gardening supplies? Bring them along!
- **Kitchen items:** Glass jars, reusable containers, cookbooks, and other useful items.

Essentially, anything that can help others grow or enjoy food is welcome. The focus is on **edibles**, but remember that gardens are complex and biodiverse systems, so even native plants or flowers that attract beneficial insects are appreciated and we think of them as 'food for the soul'.



Q: I'm a bit shy and don't know anyone. Will I feel welcome?

A: Absolutely! Crop Swap is all about building connections and community. Many first-time attendees mention how welcoming and friendly everyone is. Don't worry about not knowing anyone – by the end of the event, you'll have made plenty of new friends! Plus, morning tea is a great icebreaker. We encourage everyone to bring their own mug and stick around for a cuppa and a chat afterward.

Q: Can I bring my kids?

A: Yes! Crop Swap is a family-friendly event. Kids often love getting involved by helping to set out the items or picking up new plants or goodies to take home. It's a fantastic way for them to learn about sustainability, gardening, and community values from a young age.

Q: Do I need to register beforehand?

A: Nope! There's no need to register in advance – just come along and bring whatever you can to share. If you're unsure about what to bring or if you can contribute, feel free to pop by and see what it's all about. We're always happy to welcome new faces.

Q: What's the best thing about Crop Swap?

A: For many people, the best part of Crop Swap is the sense of community. Yes, it's exciting to exchange plants, produce, and ideas, but time and time again, people say they keep coming back for the friendships and connections they make.

Whether you're swapping some homegrown tomatoes, picking up a new gardening tip, or simply sharing a cup of tea, it's the relationships that grow at Crop Swap that make it such a special event. Everyone comes away with something more than what they arrived with – whether it's a bag of fresh produce or a new friend.

Join Us at the Next Crop Swap!

If you're curious to see what it's all about, why not come along to the next Crop Swap event? Whether you bring something to share or just want to meet some new people, we'd love to see you there.

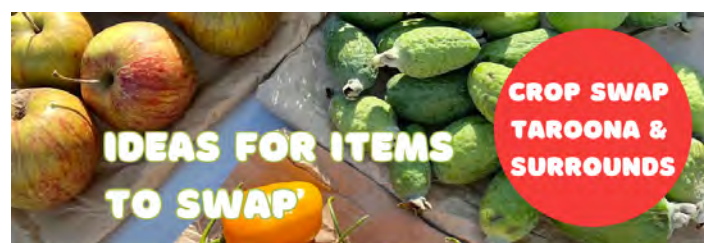
Event Details:

- **When:** The first Saturday of every month, starting at 10 am sharp.
- **Where:** Taroona Neighbourhood Garden.
- **What to bring:** Anything related to food, gardening, or cooking – plus something to share for morning tea (optional)!

For more information and updates, check out our Facebook page:

Crop Swap Group Taroona & Surrounds

Come and join the fun – it's all about community, sharing, and enjoying the fruits (and veggies!) of our labour!



- garden produce
- seeds, cuttings, plants
- preserves, honey, drinks
- baked goods
- eggs, egg cartons
- starter cultures for ferments & finished ferments (kefir etc)
- pots, netting, mesh, twine, labels
- empty jars
- cooking and gardening books/magazines
- manure, mulch, worm tea, compost
- flowers
- coffee sacks, chaff, grounds
- kitchen equipment
- garden tools
- skills: tool sharpening, repair...

Taroona.tas.au is about to be revamped!



Our Taroona Community website has been presenting Taroona to the local community and the world for 15 years now, and it is about to be redesigned. A Kingborough Council grant, and further financial contribution from the Neighbourhood Garden, Community Association and Hall Committee, will enable us to engage some professional help with the project.

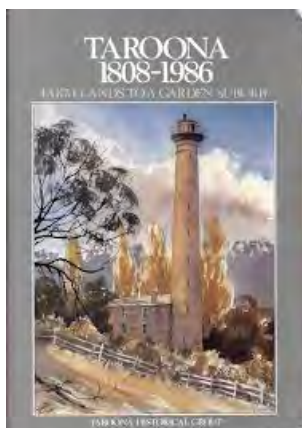
Redesign is necessary because the platform which hosts our website is no longer supported and cannot be kept up to date.

But how was taroona.tas.au started?

In early 2009 a letter was received by Peter Barefoot, Convenor of the Taroona Garden Forum, from the Australian Domain Name authority (AUDA), the independent government agency which registers and manages domain names in Australia (eg .com.au, .org.au etc). The letter announced the Community Geographic Domain Names project and the release of quarantined web addresses which would combine a town or suburb's name with its state, followed by .au. The project aimed to 'give communities a home on the net'. To secure our own geographic domain name we needed to demonstrate support from the community. We set about asking local groups for letters of support, put together a submission, and in a month the URL www.taroona.tas.au was granted to the Taroona Community Association.

The CGDN project offered technical help and low cost registration and hosting, and TCA took responsibility for these costs.

www.taroona.tas.au was launched in April 2009, to become one of the first community geographic domain name websites in Australia and the first in Tasmania.



Over the next few years I added much content about Taroona, both in words and images. One major project was the digitisation of *The Taroona Book: Taroona 1808-1986 Farm Lands to a Garden Suburb*, published in 1988 by Taroona Historical Group. Digitisation firstly required chasing up as many of the authors as were still alive and contactable, and gaining their permission to digitise and publish

their contributions on the web. At that time the upload limit on our easy-manage website was 2mb per file, and so the book was uploaded as over 70 separate documents.

In 2014 our website made the short list at the AUDA conference in Melbourne for an award in the community section. We were beaten by Apollo Bay and Mirboo North, but it was in any case most affirming to make the short list, and this was partly because of the digitisation of the Taroona Book, a wonderful repository of information about our suburb up until 1988. The Taroona Book, out of print and difficult to source second-hand, is among the most visited pages on the website.

A few years later the website had to be redesigned and upgraded as its easy publish platform had become outdated. Some may remember that up until this time the website banner was the same as the masthead on our print *Taroona News* (the panorama of Hinsby Beach with cormorants). The redesign features a sliding banner of Taroona scenes. Much additional content has been added over the years. At this time the website enjoys 2500-3000 visitors per month, and hundreds of webpages, with the most popular being the Taroona Book, Shot Tower, and Community Hall and cottage.

Nothing stands still on the internet, and we find ourselves in the situation of once again of needing to redesign and upgrade, and this is about to happen now. Watch this space – <https://taroona.tas.au> – for a sparkling up to date web presence coming soon!

At this point I'd like to commend the Taroona Community Association committee, who have always paid the annual bills for hosting and registration to keep Taroona's presence on the net continuing. **By joining the TCA and paying the annual sub (only \$10 per person), you can assist with website costs.** And while the redesign is happening, we want to enhance our mission of 'everything about Taroona', so if your group or business or interest needs representation online, just drop the details into an email to taroona@taroona.tas.au and we will put you right up there!

– Deirdre Brown, taroona.tas.au webmaster

Taroona Sippers and Purlers

Taroona Sippers and Purlers welcomes you to knit with us on the first Saturday of each month at the Shot Tower, from 2pm to 4pm.

For more information email thestoddarts@gmail.com



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Life at Taroona High School



Term 3 has been absolutely crazy and chaotic with so much happening across all grades. The second week back some of our year 10s went on a ski trip to Mt Hotham in Victoria, where they spent a week skiing, snowboarding, and hanging out in the snow. Immediately after, Taroona had our very own **winter festival "Ember" for 2024**, with over twenty contemporary music acts across two stages plus plenty of food and fire pots to light up the winter evening.

Week 5 was a busy week with the whole school **swimming carnival** on Wednesday. Well done to everyone who participated and a special congratulations to the Crayfish house for winning the house shield! Throughout the week, our senior music students were on the Gold Coast for their **band tour**, travelling to many schools and performing as part of the Senior Concert and Stage bands. The 36 senior music students and 4 teachers had a wonderful time in Queensland and many wished it never ended.

Our student leadership teams across the school have been very busy too! The House Captains organised **Olympic week activities** at lunchtime to encourage students to participate in sports and to celebrate the 2024 Olympics happening at the same time.

The Quiz Night was a wonderful success this year! We had a record of 15 tables booked out and an incredible amount of people who showed up to support the SRC and our sister school that we were raising money for. The theme was "Classics" with countless fantastic individual and team outfits on the night, the 2024 SRC even dressed up in sparkling dresses and suits from the "The Great Gatsby"! We raised over \$3,000 and everyone had so much fun! **Thank you to all who came from the Taroona Community and we can't wait to see you next year!**

Our year 7 SRC hosted **Book Week**, with the theme "Reading is Magic" for 2024. They organised a range of activities throughout the week including daily Q&As, lunchtime movies, a lolly stall, golden snitch hunt and a costume dress up day for the whole school. Our year 8 SRC also organised **R U OK? day** this term to raise awareness for mental health. They had a drinks and lolly stall to fundraise, encouraging messages on the daily bulletin, and many students helped write/draw positive messages around the school in chalk.

Recently we had our **Spring Arts Festival**, celebrating the hard efforts of students at our school across a wide range of subject areas. As always the music students held a concert in the evening and many contemporary bands performed their songs. An art gallery displayed artworks from every art student relating to the theme "Déjà vu" as well as photos from the photography classes. The MDT department showcased many woodwork projects and videos from the film and animation classes were played on the link block walls outside.

Last Sunday Taroona had a huge success in the annual **maths**



Above: The 2024 THS Quiz Night was a great success!

relay. We have two year 7/8 teams, with one of them coming first in the state with a full score of 200 points and 8 minutes to spare. We also had one year 9/10 team who smashed the others in the state with a full score and a record time of 15 minutes to spare. Congrats to everyone involved!

After an exhausting term with so much happening, it is finally the holidays! I'm sure everyone's excited at the chance to sleep in and prepare for the final ten weeks of school! See you next term!

– Ellen Wei, 2024 SRC Vice-President

What's happening at IMAS Taroona?



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Taking stock of assessments for sustainable fisheries

A deep dive into stock assessments of fisheries around the world has revealed their sustainability is overstated – and it has implications for fisheries management and consumer awareness.

In a new study, a research team led by the University of Tasmania's Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies (IMAS) compared past and recent stock assessments across 230 fisheries worldwide.

"Independent scientific monitoring is essential for accurately assessing fish stock sustainability," IMAS marine ecologist and lead author Professor Graham Edgar said.

"This study was an opportunity to compare the stock status estimated in a given year, such as 2010, with a more recent revised estimate for that same year – and we found that the earlier stock assessments were often too optimistic about the number of fish in the ocean."

The study showed an inconsistency in stock assessments, with a strong pattern of over-estimating a fishery's population status for stocks that were most depleted. Fish stock biomass was overestimated by an average of 11.5%.

"Depleted fish stocks are often the most contentious," Professor Edgar said. "When an assessment finds a stock is overfished,

fisheries management needs to make tough decisions about reducing fish catches to reverse the trend in stock declines. This includes reducing catch limits, which will ensure the fish stock can continue to support food and jobs into the future."

Read the full story: <https://tinyurl.com/bde9jwnr>

Construction milestone celebrated

Work is underway to transform the Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies (IMAS) at Taroona into a world-class fisheries and aquaculture research and teaching precinct.

Alongside the new teaching and research facility being built, a new state-of-the-art krill research aquarium will be co-located at the precinct in partnership with the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water's Australian Antarctic Division (AAD).

This will enable world-leading research into the conservation and management of Antarctic krill, which are critical to Southern Ocean ecosystems and food security and will build our understanding of climate change impacts.

The redevelopment includes the addition of a new site entrance and car park which will be available for the local community to use after hours.



PETER W ALLEN/IMAS

IMAS Taroona Construction Milestone.

Professor Sean Tracey, Fisheries and Aquaculture Centre Head at IMAS Taroona, said the upgrades were needed to help the institute continue to shape a positive future.

“The upgrades will deliver contemporary facilities that support critical research that is helping to solve the challenges our marine environment and fisheries and aquaculture industries are facing, while also training future scientists, industry leaders and policy makers,” Professor Tracey said.

Visit the IMAS Taroona transformation website for more construction information or to register for a community drop-in session to hear about site progress from the project team.

The next drop-in session will be on 29 October 2024. Stay up to date: **scan the QR code** to visit our dedicated IMAS Taroona Transformation webpage.



Read the full story: <https://tinyurl.com/yxkymdhu>

Size matters: why fish size diversity is vital for healthy oceans

A hundred years ago, fish lived longer and grew bigger – they continued to breed, engineered ecosystems through predation and were more resilient to ocean changes such as marine heatwaves.

Today these larger, long-lived fish are gone, and it’s affecting fish populations, marine ecosystems, and ultimately our own food security.

University of Tasmania’s Institute of Marine and Antarctic Studies researcher and Pew Marine Fellow Dr Asta Audzijonyte is investigating the impacts of human activity and a changing climate on fish size, what that means for fisheries productivity and marine ecosystems, and how we can bring big fish back.

“There’s a perception that the ocean is full of big fish because we still catch them with better and better gear, but historical photos, human memories and data show they’re much smaller than they used to be,” Dr Audzijonyte said.

“The size structure of marine fish populations has changed. This is mostly because we caught and are still catching all the biggest

fish – so many fish populations consist only of younger, smaller fish. And that is putting entire populations at risk, changing the natural balance in the ocean and to some degree also taking fun away from fishing.”

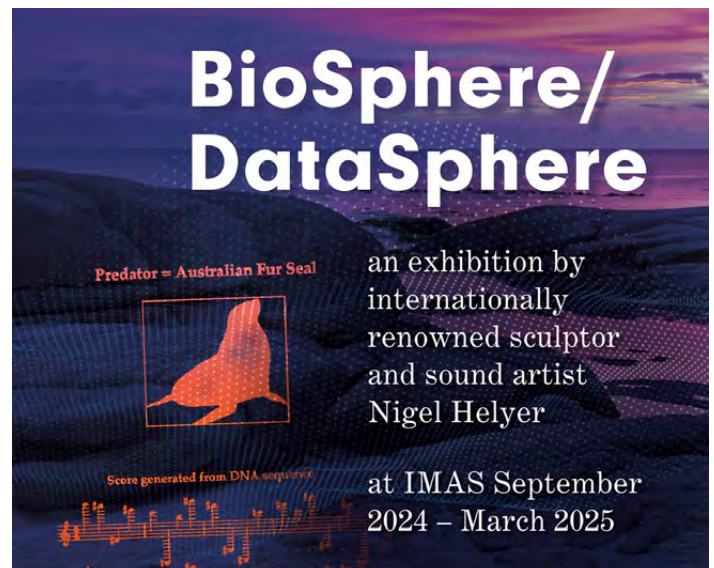
Read the full story: <https://tinyurl.com/bddfm5ft>

In other news...

Experience the chorus of seabirds, the secret language of seals, whales and dolphins at our new immersive exhibition at IMAS Salamanca. BioSphere | DataSphere features the work of internationally renowned sculptor and sound artist Dr Nigel Helyer, who joined an IMAS-led research team investigating the ecology of the Tasman Fracture Marine Park. The park, located in the shelf waters of the Commonwealth’s South-East Marine Parks Network, is a refuge for endemic, rare, threatened and endangered species including seabirds, seals and cetaceans. The exhibition is an interpretation and sonification of scientific data, transforming research into cultural outcomes that engage people’s imagination.

When: Mon to Friday, 10am – 4pm (excl public holidays) until March 2025

Where: IMAS, 20 Castray Esplanade, Battery Point.



About IMAS

The Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies (IMAS) is a centre of excellence for both research and education at the University of Tasmania.

Our research is innovative, relevant, and globally distinctive. Our education delivers first-class programs resulting in highly trained scientists and researchers, serving the needs of academic institutions, industry, government and the community.

Visit: imas.utas.edu.au

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Taroona Scout Group: 70th Year Celebrations



Despite a wet, windy, cold, and hailing 14th September we celebrated our 70th year of Scouting in Taroona. Scouting brings lifelong memories and friendships, as marvellously demonstrated by pretty much the full 70 years being represented – the age profile extended from 8 months (future Joey Cub) to over 90 years (past leaders). Memorabilia on display and reminiscences exchanged made for a hugely successful event demonstrating what an impressive and thriving group Taroona Scouts is. Our success is a team effort across current and past members, local community, and nationally. Attendees were from across Tasmania, Canberra, as far north as Sydney, and west to Perth (WA). We also enjoyed attendance by four political leaders – their support is very much appreciated and a great boost to our efforts in providing great experiences for our youth members.

We were pleased to have Tasmanian Elder, Uncle Dougie Mansell give us a warm Welcome to Country through song and a story, a fitting beginning to our celebration. We acknowledged the continuing Traditional Owners of the lands, seas, and waterways, the Palawa people of the Lutruwita nation.



Taroona is a name derived from the Muwinina word for chiton, a local marine mollusc. The Taroona Scout Group's 70 years is a mere blink of an eye when compared with over 40,000 years of custodianship by the clans of nipaluna/Hobart, Muwinina and lunawuni/Brny Island, Nuenonne. The Welcome to Country aligned with Scouting beliefs and meaning of Country. As Scouts we make a promise to live by the Scout Law that reminds us to be respectful and care for others and country.



Any celebration must include a cake. Ours was no exception. We ran a competition to design a 70th celebration logo and badge. With each of the entrants, Cubs Will Rowe, Hanna Morley, Leni Stephens, Grace Wells, and Sophia Willson and Venturer Ellen Hill being presented with special bag tags with their design. Leni Stephen's design was selected by artist and past committee member Simone Pfister. Cutting the cake are newest invested joey Ella Priest and longest serving youth Venturer Adelaide Simpkins.

We have a great section leadership team and we were pleased to celebrate Helen Kruup joining them as a Cub leader. Helen attained her Certificate of Proficiency and thus was presented with her Gilwell Woggle and certificate by our Scout Section leader and Kingborough District Commissioner, Julian. The Gilwell Woggle is an important world-wide recognition of achievement with the original made in Tasmania in 1923 based on sewing machine drive cord and it is held in Scouts Tasmania Heritage Centre.



It's fantastic to see our youth members' achievements. We congratulated Joey's, Maggie-May Wilson, Louie Jeffs, and Valentino Rukuni for earning the Joey Scout Achievement award the highest award at the Joey Scouting sections.



To be awarded the Joey Scout Challenge Award, Joey Scouts need to be actively participating in the Joey section program, develop outdoor adventure skills, participate in an adventurous journey, complete projects in special interest area, and reflect on their journey through Joey's.

Pictures are worth a thousand words, so the following show a variety of themes during the 70th Celebration.

We are currently planning our legendary Christmas Tree and Produce sale scheduled for 14th December. We will again be selling jam and tomato seedlings and other items.

If you would like any information concerning the Taroona Scout Group or are interesting in youth membership or a leader role, please contact either Mike 6227 9139 or Janet 0438 705 319. For information and membership enquiries you can visit either our web page at <https://taroonaingroup.com> or Facebook at www.facebook.com/TaroonaScoutGroup.



Taroona Tennis Club News

Despite the very unpredictable weather a great deal of tennis has been played recently at Taroona. The courts are very well drained and permit play soon after a downpour – and many players are not averse to playing in raincoats!

The courts are used every day of the week. Coach Andrew Etherington can help juniors and adults, there is organised social tennis, many private groups meet regularly, opportunities exist for family and friends to use the courts and non-members can make online bookings. Taroona High School also visits so that students experience tennis.

The Club plays more social than competition tennis but when there is sufficient interest teams are entered in local competitions. There are opportunities for juniors to play in teams, Taroona sometimes participates in the evening AYC pennant and there are three Taroona ladies currently playing in the Midweek Ladies' competition. Good luck to Ailsa Richard, Angela Lutz and Karen Nicholson.

A lot of work is done behind the scenes to keep the Club running smoothly and the facilities in good order. The practice wall is used constantly by community members and needs regular repainting. Thank you to Simon Lawrence and Matt Sherlock for doing this. Through Tennis Tasmania the Club recently applied for a grant to enable the construction of a concrete path to Court 4. Such a path would provide easy, clean and level access. Thank you to Simon Lawrence for writing the application and to James Heyward for providing a quote at short notice. When State Government grants become available funds will be sought to replace the fencing and to upgrade the clubhouse.



From left Trish Brammel, Alan Harvey (aged 96) and Ailsa Richard.

Tennis Tasmania is the governing body for tennis in Tasmania. Taroona is affiliated with it and as an affiliated club receives certain benefits and has particular responsibilities. The Committee needs to keep abreast of current policies and recently formed a sub-committee to make sure guidelines are followed. Thank you to the people who spend time doing behind the scenes clerical work.

Diane Balding is happy to give further information about the Club – 0488 086 381.

St Luke's News

If you know anyone from St Luke's, you know we love Spring-time! Our front lawn has turned yellow with daffodils and the bright morning sun warms all our gatherings. In August, we said a fond farewell to Rev. Ruth Hanlon who after 6 years of faithful service to the community has moved on to minister at the parish of Bass and Philip Island in Victoria. Her parting message to the community included the following words: "I thank each of you for such wonderful encouragement and support for myself and Michael during our time at St Luke's". The church has advertised for a new Rector and is looking forward to welcoming them to the Taroona community in the not-too-distant future.

The 0-4 year old children who attend playgroup every Tuesday from 10:30am have been playing with musical instruments, making box art, playing on the giant cushions and cooking. It is a joy to see the families become close friends over coffee and their weekly chats.



Rev. Ruth Hanlon's final service at St Luke's, 4th August 2024

I thank my God every time I remember you.

– Phil 1:3 [verse shared in Ruth's final sermon]



Duncan Meerding speaking at the Men's Dinner, 27th September 2024

St Luke's has also been very pleased to support a weekly lunch time group on Tuesday's at Taroona High School, providing a safe space for students to unwind, play games and share life together.



St Luke's BBQ and Events Trailer

Our recent Men's dinner (held on the last Friday of each month from 6pm) was a big hit, with our visiting speaker Duncan Meerding sharing his business journey as a wood worker, growing up in Taroona, to now selling his beautiful creations around the world. And lastly, a kind reminder that the annual St Luke's Spring Festival is on Saturday 9th November from 12-3, with entertainment, hot food, and market stalls selling plants, food & crafts. We hope to see you there!

– Luke Campton (0456 470 490), St Luke's Community Connections Minister

Taroona Ex-Services' Club



The Taroona Ex-Services' Club plays quite a significant role in the community. There is a meeting at the Clubrooms in the Taroona Hall on the third Friday of the month at 12.30 and this is followed by afternoon tea and a guest speaker in winter and a BBQ in the warmer months. The Club organises excursions for members and friends and in July and December there is a celebratory lunch. These functions are always very enjoyable and well attended.

The Club regularly applies for grants through the State Government Teddy Sheean grants scheme. Recently funds were obtained to buy blinds for the Clubrooms and to renovate and repair the shelter shed near the War Memorial in Taroona Park. The blinds are in place and the shelter shed work will be complete by Remembrance Day.

The Club always organises wonderful ANZAC and Remembrance Day services. These are impressive and very well attended. **The 2024 Remembrance Day service on November 11th will be held at the War Memorial and will start at 10.30am.**

Everyone is invited to attend. After the service there will be morning tea in the Community Hall.

Chris Harris is happy to provide information about the Club – 0410 754 932.

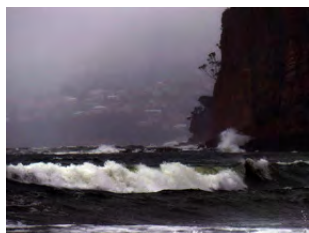


Above left: Hard working committee member Judy Summers (left) and treasurer Helen Gray.

Above right: Member Jenny Whitworth. Both were taken during lunch after the committee meeting on September 20th.

Seasonal musings by Simon Grove

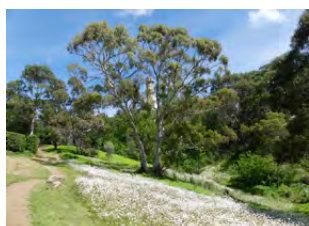
Winter



The sun scarcely peeps above the gum trees. As sure as short winter day follows long winter night it rises still; but it is lacklustre, reluctant even, as though it has better things to do with its time, better places to shine. It inches its way through the day in a low, miserly arc, mockingly indifferent to our need for warmth and light. The air is bone-chillingly cold. Shadows reign supreme, darkening the mood, chilling the soul. Isn't the

sun supposed to beam?—Not at this season!, it retorts. Rays of hope to ease our suffering?—No chance!, it taunts. There is no soundscape of birdsong, just the odd, thin contact call from the shelter of shrubs and ferny dells. A crackling woodfire offers skin-deep warmth and flickering light, invoking summer's photosynthetic largesse, all now reduced to wisps of smoke and ash—burnt offerings before the gods of darkness. Sensible creatures hibernate; we don't have that luxury. We may yet embrace the season, enjoying the pummelling winds, the frosts, the silence, the lively skies, the first tentative signs of new beginnings. Or we may sit the winter out, biding our time, turning inwards, counting the days, waiting, watching, cogitating, remembering, imagining.

Spring



Long weeks later, and winter still snaps at the heels of spring, sending envoys of Antarctic air to remind us of our physical place in the world. But warmer winds from the north hint of change to come: out with the old, in with the new! Floral and faunal optimism, initially incongruous in the face of endless cold fronts and squalls, ultimately reigns supreme. Buds burst; blowflies buzz; butterflies flutter.

Wattles once again show their

colours, as green-and-gold ambassadors of spring, and, secondarily, of nationhood. Swift parrots announce their return with joyful peeps amongst the flowering blue gums, seemingly unaware that they are among the last of their kind. Magpies chortle; lapwings shriek and greet; both swoop, fearlessly. Cuckoos cuckold, for which they are mobbed by all and sundry amongst the songbirds. Dandelions and daisies offer sustenance for bees, at least until the lawnmowers move in; essence of fresh-cut greenery infuses and pervades. Pollen, nectar, fragrance, colour, movement; life.

Summer



As our tilt towards the sun gathers pace, bounteous solar energy comes to suffuse and enliven everything and everywhere. Swallows swoop, ants scuttle, cicadas zizz; mosquitoes whine. Christmas beetles ignore human calendars and take to the air weeks before the year's end. Even the sun seems emboldened by its own benevolence: scarcely has it set, it seems, when it is ready to peep over the horizon again, expectantly.

Rise and shine, everybody! Seize the day! Make hay while you can! Flowers display their wares to insects and honeyeaters. It's a crowded market, full of fussy shoppers, where riotous floral extravagance pays (though there are deceptions and cheats aplenty, on both sides). In due course the blooms wither under the heat of an intense, overhead sun, some nurturing seed for cooler, wetter times to come. Veggie gardeners reap the rewards of their winter and springtime toils. Zucchini, anyone? Clay soils fissure and lawns frazzle, even as grasshoppers chirp their summertime serenades. Running water seeps into the creek beds, beyond the reach of the desiccating heat and the probing tongues of butterflies. The glare; the hazy aroma of eucalyptus oils. Sea breezes and whitecaps. Thunder rumbles; dry lightning arcs. Bushfires smoulder and threaten to blaze; smoke haze hangs over the hills, and, if luck runs out, the skyline turns orange.

Autumn



Now the tilt reverses and the nights lengthen, imperceptibly at first. Elevated atmospheric pressure keeps weather fronts at bay: an Indian summer that brings warmth and calm seas, perfect for beachgoing until the afternoon shadows lengthen. Ripening fruits are there for the plucking by growers, lorikeets and silver-eyes. Yet in nature, there is no such thing as a free lunch, and it is clear that there is a reckoning for summer's

sun and heat. The land is spent, crisp and anaemic. Dust hangs in the air. The earth, it seems, is in a state of suspended animation. Though time may appear to stand still, weeks pass. Later, the autumn break, sometimes arriving from the east, sometimes the west: downpours, gales, and general mugginess.

Crickets trill, as though in delight, though their days are numbered. Shorter days induce leaf-fall, and the raking



TAROONA FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

Hobart Cup

A total of 13 Taroona FC teams took part in the Cup, and we saw some awesome results as well as much fun had!

A special mention to our Taroona FC Orange U11 Girls team, who won all 4 games in their competition and scored a whopping total of 27 goals, and our Taroona FC Black U12 Mixed team, who made it into the finals and placed 2nd overall.

A big thank you to everyone for showing up and giving their best, and a huge thank you to all the organisers, managers, coaches, and supporters for helping the games run as smoothly as possible, and for creating a fun couple of weekends of football for our youngsters.

Football Tasmania Awards Dinner Recap



From left: Riley Pitchford; Sam James; Tayla Thomas with Stefan Stimson

Saturday September 14th saw Football Tasmania host their annual End of Season Awards night, which saw a few of our Pirates receive special awards for their efforts during the 2024 season!

The Kappa Southern Men's Championship Coach of the Year was won by Riley Pitchford, and Tayla Thomas won Southern Women's Championship Coach of the Year (pictured with Assistant Coach Stefan Stimson). WSL goalkeeper, Izzy Ottavi, won the Save of the Season award for their double save against Launceston United in Round 11 of the competition.

Key Men's Championship player, Sam James, cleaned up - winning both the Kappa Southern Men's Championship Best & Fairest Award, and the Golden Boot for most goals scored throughout the season. Well done all!



Chidiac Gala Day

On Saturday 21st September, Kelvedon Park welcomed over 80 young players across Hobart, from prep to grade 6, to enjoy a fun gala day and meet Matildas and Melbourne Victory player Alex Chidiac. Alex spent over two hours kicking with, meeting and chatting to all of the players. She said, "When I was told about the opportunity at Taroona FC I jumped at it as I've never been to Tassie before. I'm glad I could come, I thought it would be great to connect with the [Taroona Football] Club and show their players that national team or professional football aspirations aren't out of reach."

Visit the Taroona FC Facebook page for more fantastic photos of this exciting event.

Skills Term 4

Registrations for our SKiLLS Term 4 program are now open!

We are offering the following sessions for young players who wish to continue training/playing and developing their football skills during the summer off-season:

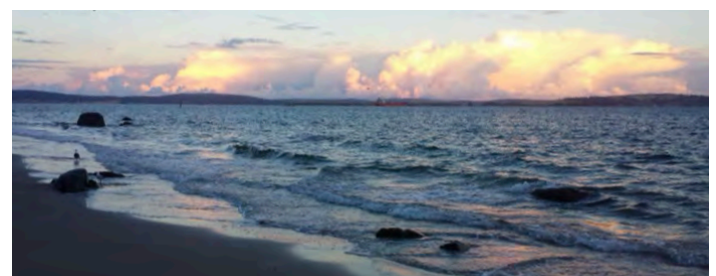
- Monday SKiLLS (+ Advanced Group)
- Wednesday SKiLLS (+ Girls Only Development SKiLLS)
- Thursday Academy Male + Female
- Pirate Cup

Please visit taroonafc.org or email skills@taroonafc.org for more information.

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Seasonal musings

of lawns on weekends. Spent crops are composted; veggie beds are dug over. New life springs from the old, as microbes, moulds and fungi proliferate, infusing the air with spores and mustiness. Snuffle-holes in the turf tell of foraging bandicoots and of softening soils, swelling tubers and fattening grubs. Before long, the first frosts glint under starry skies, where Lady Aurora may fleetingly dance. Coldness and darkness lie ahead. Some bemoan it; some dread it; others welcome and celebrate it, recognising



that there is succour and pleasure to be had in nature at any season, and that experiencing change can be a reward in itself. This too shall pass. Life has come full-circle. – **Simon Grove**

Taroona's *This is Electric* supports clean energy education

Many Taroona residents will have come across *This is Electric*, a new Taroona-based electrical company dedicated to supporting homes, businesses and communities phase out the use of gas and fossil fuels.

Founded by Sarah Bury and Phil O'Neill in October 2023, *This is Electric* has now been running for one year!

We love doing things differently. As a social enterprise, our mission extends beyond just providing excellent, high-quality electrical services to our local community. We exist to create a fairer and more sustainable world.

We're committed to supporting Tasmania's transition to low emissions transport. As Tasmania's first and only 100% solar powered electrician, we provide emissions-free electrical services in our second-hand electric tradie van.

We also specialise in the installation of electric vehicle (EV) chargers, providing efficient, reliable and professional EV charging services to homes and businesses around Tasmania.

Unlike a traditional for profit business, we reinvest our profits back into our core mission, supporting community projects and running clean energy education projects.

In exciting news, we are working with a group of students at Tarremah Steiner School on our first clean energy education project. This project is also supported by the Hobart City Council and Sustainable Living Tasmania.

The students are exploring the solar generation of their school and how much clean energy is being sent to the grid. We're supporting the students to identify ways to further reduce the school's emissions, and share their knowledge and experience with other Tasmanian students at the Youth Climate Leaders Conference.

Empowering young people through hands-on learning is what we're all about.

This is Electric has also been selected to be part of the Shift Lab social impact



Phil O'Neill works with students to explore the solar power generation of their school.

incubator, funded by the Tasmanian Government. This business mentoring program is on a mission to increase the number of social enterprises operating in Tasmania.

Through the program we are working towards formal certification as a social enterprise through People and Planet First.

Please spread the word if you know of anyone that needs electrical work. Call Phil (on 0451 186 336 or email us at hello@thisiselectric.com.au) for an obligation free quote. You can also check out our services and more information on our website and sign up to our little newsletter to support us in our mission.

Every electrical job we do brings us one step closer to a future where every Tasmanian home, business and community is powered by safe, clean and affordable energy.

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- improving home and business energy efficiency

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Opening of the greens



The 2024/25 Bowls season at the Taroona Bowls and Community Club was officially opened by Kingborough Mayor Paula Wriedt on Saturday 21st September. The Mayor rolled the first bowl of the season, followed by a very keen Kaspar Deane, Kingborough councillor, rolling the second.

The Taroona Bowls and Community Club welcomes all members of the community to come and try your hand at bowls – all you need to do is call us on 6227 8243 after 3pm daily and talk to our friendly team. Taroona have teams playing in the Bowls Tasmania South pennant roster and play Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. We also offer social bowls and barefoot bowls so there is something for everyone!

The Club is open daily from 3pm with fantastic indoor and outdoor facilities for functions and events and two 8 ball tables. We also open Friday nights for great Fish and Chips. Bookings are highly recommended so please contact us or visit our website: taroonabowlsclub.com.au for more info!



Mayor Paula Wriedt (top left) rolls the first bowl of the season; Kingborough councillor Kaspar Deane (top right) bowls it nowhere near the jack; Kim Spencer (above left) and Stewart Winterbottom (above right) bring some professionalism to the green.

Fish & Chip Fry-Days
Every Friday @ The Bowlo
5.30pm - 7.30pm

MENU

- Fish & Chips \$15
- Calamari & Chips \$15
- Kids Fish & Chips \$10
- Bowl of Chips \$6
- Salad Bowl \$3

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STEFAN STIMSON



PIC OF TAROONA

Comings and goings on the Derwent

A busy week in front of Taroona in late September...

Welcome back to CSIRO's marine research vessel the *RV Investigator* from refit in Singapore, and bon voyage to the Australian Antarctic Division's icebreaker *RSV Nuyina* for science trials.

Hobart – Gateway to Antarctica and the Southern Ocean for over 200 years.

Taroona – Front-row seat to all that maritime traffic.

STEFAN STIMSON



Stefan Stimson has worked on or around the water for over 30 years, in many countries, and was Group Leader for operations of the RV Investigator until January this year.

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The Taroona community website can be found at <https://taroonatastas.au> and will soon appear at the same address but with a new look. To have your group or business represented, email Deirdre Brown at taroonatastas.au

Membership of the Taroona Community Association is \$10 and payment can be made by direct deposit into the TCA's bank account **BSB 067102** and **Account number 28011079**. Please email us to notify of deposited funds. You can also deliver or mail payment to 19 Oakleigh Avenue.

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