

Newsletter



March 2004

From the President

Congratulations, Andrew Cripps

A Youth Merit Award was presented to 14 year old Andrew Cripps of Tarooma Archers at the recent Kingborough Municipal Merit Awards Ceremony in Kingston. This was for his outstanding achievements in Archery at State and National Level. Well done Andrew!

Annual General Meeting

20th. Nov 2003

Tarooma residents were presented with a comprehensive report of the year's activities by the president. In commenting on the financial statement and balance sheet, the retiring Treasurer, Ian Gardiner, stressed the delicate balance of the Association's financial position due to rising insurance costs. He recommended either an increase in subscription or an intensive drive to increase membership.

The speaker for the evening, Mr Peter Gee, or Peter Gugger as he was named at birth, talked on 'Life with Auntie'. In a relaxed and open manner he gave us glimpses of his life, starting as a sports reader for 18 years with the covering of cricket matches - his first love.

Reporting Country Radio, funeral announcements, two Olympic Games,

horse racing, reading the weather and the news has given Peter Gee fascinating years with Auntie. It is all a matter of timing, and it is up to each individual announcer to fit items into definite time slots. Not an easy task! It was, and still is, a lot of fun! The audience was delighted with Peter Gee's behind the scenes tales of the world of radio and television.

Thanks, Kingborough Council

Travellers can now relax when they stop at the entrance to Tarooma and the Truganinni Track roadside reserve. Following our approach to Council, two picnic tables, two benches and two rubbish bins have

General Meeting

Thursday 8th April 04

**7.30 pm Tarooma
Community Hall**

Guest speaker is new resident
and
member of Federal Parliament

Duncan Kerr MHR

All welcome, please bring a
plate

been provided in the car park area. Our thanks go to Steven Kaczmarski, Manager Technical Services, Jon Wisby, Council's Technical Officer and Michael Jenkins for granting our request.

The shelter which is already in place would lend itself very well to an information board with maps of Taroona, the Kingston area and the Huon Trail. We are hoping to achieve this with the help of Tourism Tasmania when the next round of small grants is made available.

Hinsby Beach Track

Have you visited Hinsby beach recently? You will have been pleasantly surprised. The access path has received a new tarmac cover which makes walking so much easier! What a joy! Unfortunately the difficult stepping stones onto the sand at the end of the path have not been tackled. So it is still very awkward for the elderly and small children to reach the beach.

Annette Hitchman, President

Taroona CWA

Fundraising coffee morning:
Monday 22 March at 10.30 am at 28 Taroona Crescent. Donation \$5. Trade table. Everybody welcome.

The 2004 World Conference of the CWA will be held in Hobart March 22 -30. For more information contact Annette Hitchman on 6227 8922.

The Taroona community is invited to a CWA church service to be held on Sunday 2 May at 2.30 pm at St Luke's Church, Taroona. Afternoon tea will be served after the service.

Taroona Community Association Activities 2004

Our program for the year is included with this Newsletter. We urge residents to be involved and assist us in attaining our objectives.

Suggestions for activities, newsletter copy, speakers for meetings etc are always welcome.

It is pleasing to see new members on the Committee and a warm welcome is extended to them.

Litter Drive

Thanks are due to Diane Balding, June Flood, Annette and Michael Hitchman, Mary Jolly and Stephen and Rebecca, Roger and Rosemary Kellaway and John Kerr for support of the litter drive on 6th December. To be involved phone 6227 8922.

Taroona Apex Club

The club was founded in November 1970 and has provided sterling service to our community for over 30 years. The Apex mission statement is

"To grow, learn, make friends and have fun whilst helping others."

New members are always welcome - male or female, and under 45 years of age. For more information telephone 6227 8665.

The club is currently negotiating with Kingborough Council on the demolition of the existing Ian Bender Memorial Barbecue Hut at Taroona Beach and the rebuilding of a larger Hut closer to the playground and toilet block. This will still be a memorial hut.

IMAGINE

... a city suburb where coastal and bushland reserves are being restored to their natural state, and habitats are being re-created that were present 200 years ago AND where property owners are inspired to remove invasive weeds, plant local native species, and take delight in our native wildlife.

Tarooma! It's worth looking after.

Tarooma Environment Network (TEN) is a community organisation committed to protecting and restoring native bushland in Tarooma. Our activities include seed collection, plant propagation, weed removal, revegetation, environmental monitoring and community education.

Have you ... walked along the foreshore lately? TEN has been busy! Our once weed-infested coastline is being transformed with local native plants that once thrived along our foreshore. Many local residents are helping to maintain these seedlings and keep emergent weeds at bay.

Why not? Be inspired and get involved! Volunteer working for TEN is immensely satisfying, educational and fun!

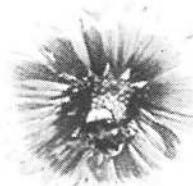
Become a member! Membership of TEN is only \$1 per year, payable at working bees or by phoning Jemery Day (6227 9387).

Want to help, but ... find it difficult to contribute at working bees? Then you might like to support our work financially by making a tax deductible donation. Contact Jemery for details.

Want to know ... what's on where and when?

Our monthly working bee schedule for 2004 is displayed at Tarooma Village (opposite the bakery). You can also email us and ask to be on our email list to hear about upcoming events.

Email: taroomaenvironmentnetwork@bigpond.com
Phone Tim Jones (6227 8548) or Jill Hickie (6227 8544).



Taroona Gardening Forum

Join the Taroona Gardening forum – All welcome!

We meet on the **first Wednesday evening of each month**, January excepted, at:

7.30 pm, Uniting Church Hall, Taroona Crescent, Taroona

The Forum exchanges information on plants, both ornamental and edible with members ranging from expert to novice. The sharing of knowledge and exchange of plants, seeds cuttings etc is on an extremely informal basis and gardeners of all persuasions and talents are most welcome.

An integral part of the Forum's activities is regular field trips to gardens and farms throughout southern Tasmania, including members own gardens. Whenever possible lunches are arranged and the outings allow members to get to know each other in relaxing and usually beautiful surroundings. Sometimes speakers are arranged to address the monthly meetings.

Our monthly newsletter outlines the agenda for the next meeting including an update of the forthcoming field trips.

There are two social events a year, one in July and the other in December. These usually replace the church hall meetings.

If you are interested in gardening and would also like to meet members of your community then the Gardening Forum is a great place to start.

For further information please contact the convenor,

Peter Barefoot, at ***barefeet@ozemail.com.au*** or on telephone **62279115**

Visit our webpage

www.kingston.org.au/taroonagardening

You can find our newsletters there too.

Road safety

Kingborough Road Safety committee is developing a community Road Safety Plan and comment is invited.

Reduction of the speed limit to 50 km/hr in Taroona and from 80 to 70 km/hr from the Shot Tower to Kingston has been suggested by the Association to the Minister for Infrastructure, Jim Cox. Difficulties crossing Channel Highway, the poor state of footpaths, cyclists trying to keep within their cycling lines, car parking within these cycling lines and overgrown greenery on corners and roadsides causing blind spots, are affecting road safety. Taroona Primary School Parents & Friends has also been working to improve road safety.

These concerns have been raised many times, and hopefully a Road Safety Plan will address these problems.

Residents, community groups and businesses have been invited to voice their concerns on road safety aspects.

Please write to:

*Kingborough Road Safety Committee,
Attention Community Development
Locked bag, Kingston, TAS 7050*

Vale Frank Allsopp

It is with much regret we note the recent death of Frank Allsopp, our Vice President and a founding member of Taroona Community Ass'n. Since emigrating here from the UK in 1981 Frank has made a great contribution in many ways to our community, and will be sorely missed by all who knew him. Our sympathies are extended to Mary and Leslie Allsopp.

Business in Taroona

Taroona Hotel – The existing building will be demolished and replaced with a new building of about the same height. Plans show that there are to be 21 apartments, a restaurant and bar in the new building, with parking and garden occupying the rest of the site. The hotel will close on April 3, with demolition beginning in May, and the new building being completed by June 2005. Watch for notice of a community 'farewell' event in March or April.

Taroona Village Shopping Centre – planning continues for a major makeover of the centre, due to start later in the year.. A plan and concept drawings are on display in the Shopping Centre.

Medical Practice – The surgery is pleased to announce that Dr Christina Visoiu has joined Dr Frank Lawrence and is available for consultation in Family Medicine. For appointment telephone 6227 8370.

The practice recently underwent re-accreditation and achieved this milestone with flying colours.

Library Notes

We have begun the year well with donations of many new non-fiction and fiction books. Most of these are recent publications. You are welcome to come in and browse.

A reminder that membership renewals are due.

New members most welcome.

Dates to Remember

March

Sun 28 - Market, Taroona Shopping Centre from 9 am (6227 9697)

April

Thurs 1 - St Lukes Church Coffee Morning (6227 8374)

Sun 4 - TEN Activities (6227 8544)

Wed 7 - Garden Forum (6227 9115)

Thurs 8 - TCA General Meeting

Sun 11 - Easter Sunday Services at all Taroona churches

Sun 25 - Market, Shopping Centre

May

Sun 2 - TEN Activities

Wed 5 - Garden Forum meeting

Sun 30 - Market at Taroona Shopping Centre from 9 am

June

Wed 2 - Garden Forum

Sun 6 - TEN Activities

Sat 19 - Litter Drive (6227 8374)

Sun 27 - Market

Call for 2004 Subscriptions

I wish to renew/initiate membership of the Taroona 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 Bland, 64 Fisher Avenue, Sandy Bay, Phone 6225 2842

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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