

TAROONA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Inc.

*"Enhancing Tarooma as a Place of Residence
and Employment"*

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RESIDENTS' NEWSLETTER November 2000

From the President

Electoral Forum

This important activity of the Association was held on 19 October 2000 (See report elsewhere). Thanks are due to candidates and community members who attended.

Mr John Ross

The recent death of John Ross is noted with regret. John was a long-time stalwart of the Tarooma Soccer Club (25 years or more) and your Committee has suggested to Kingborough Council that the soccer ground should be named the "*John Ross Oval*" in his memory.

Tarooma Park Redevelopment

There has been considerable comment since the last newsletter. The Council is approaching the point where a draft plan will

be circulated widely for further discussion in the community.

Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held on 23 November (see elsewhere) - come along and be involved!

Neighbourhood Watch

A meeting was held on 29 October at which new office bearers were elected—Susan Barratt (President), Douglas and Elizabeth Pigot (joint Secretary/Treasurer).

Crime figures for the last quarter are on the village notice board. Any resident in possession of NHW engravers should return them to Susan Barratt (ph 6227 8062) as soon as possible.

The **next meeting** is scheduled for 4 pm, Sunday 19 November 2000, at the Tarooma Community Hall.

At the Village

Further change has occurred with an expansion of services available to residents. We welcome the opening of the **Village Solarium** (Kylie Pitcher, mobile 0410 686 298) and again urge people to support retailers at our shopping centre.

A **market** is held in the concourse at the centre on the last Sunday of each month. Look for the next one on 26 November and do some early Christmas shopping (enquiries - Marissa, ph 6227 9347).

Medical Services



The Taroona Surgery is pleased to advise that a female doctor is now available for consultation. For appointments with **Dr Frances Donaldson**, please phone 6227 8370.

The Community Library



The Community Library continues to be well patronised - gift vouchers (\$10.00 each) for Year 2001 are available and make a good Christmas present. Volunteers continue to be needed to assist in the Library. Thanks are due to **Fullers Bookshop** who recently made a major donation of books. The Library will be closed from Saturday 16 December to Monday 15 January 2001, except for occasional opening by our volunteers, by arrangement. Phone Bea Lawrence 6227 8012.

Taroona Tennis Club

The Taroona Tennis Club offers four courts for day or night time use; social or competition tennis and coaching for beginners.



- ♦ The financial year starts 1 October 2000
- ♦ New members welcome—enquiries, **Mary Jolly** ph 6227 8506.
- ♦ The Club will be hosting the Australian Veterans' Tennis Championships in January 2001.

Municipal Elections

The Association held an **Electoral Forum** chaired by Dr Ralph Chapman on 19 October which was addressed by 18 candidates who also answered a specific question of interest to Taroona residents.

Congratulations are due to Don Hazell (re-elected as Mayor), Steve Wass (Deputy Mayor) and the other successful candidates - in particular, Simon Baptist (ph 6227 8771), a resident of Taroona. The other local councillor at present is Reg Gee (ph 6227 8953).

We note the departure from Council of **Tom Barnes** after eight years of committed service which have been most appreciated. Involvement on Council is, at times, a thankless task demanding many hours each week if the responsibilities are to be fully met. I believe there should be more recognition of this fact.

The Association will continue to work closely with Council to further our objectives.



Gardener of the Year Award

It is a pleasure to note that member, **David Stephen**, has recently won the ABC National '*Gardener of the Year Award*' - well done David. For advice to make 'that difference' in your garden, ph 6227 8390!!

Tasmanian Aquaculture & Fisheries Institute

Considerable activity will have been noted in recent months at the Crayfish Point Reserve, on the river between Nubeena and Taroona Crescent. The reserve, originally proclaimed as SR no. 245 on 10/11/71, regulation 32A of the Sea Fisheries Regulations, was set up as a **rock lobster** research area, prohibiting the taking of rock lobster by any means. Although there has been sporadic research over the years, it is only recently with the help of the Tasmanian Aquaculture and Fisheries Institute (TAFI) that detailed study has commenced.

From the 20th November to the 1st December, we will again be sampling in the reserve. During this period you will notice our boats, particularly in the very early morning. All are clearly marked with the word, 'RESEARCH' on the side. During this time we will be catching, measuring, tagging and releasing as much of the population as we can. At the same time, we will be studying octopus and other predators of rock lobster.

One of our concerns is that the reserve also attracts a degree of illegal poaching. This can have implications on the interpretations of our experiments and we would encourage all residents to report any suspicious activities to the Marine Police on 6230 2475.

For further information about the research activities in the reserve, please contact Stewart Frusher at the TAFI Marine Research Laboratories—ph 6227 7277.

Annual General Meeting



The Annual General Meeting will be held at the Taroona Hall, at **7.30 pm on Thursday 23 November**. Guest Speakers will be staff from the Tasmanian Aquaculture & Fisheries Institute, Crayfish Point, Taroona. The speakers will give a presentation on current activities at the Institute.

****All welcome **Please bring a plate**

Nominations for the Committee for next year are invited (we hope the newsletter will be delivered before the meeting!!).