



Taroona News

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I am always pleasantly surprised when I see the diverse array of articles that are published in the *Taroona News*. Every issue is bigger and better with the addition of a new group or promotion of a new experience, ranging from the creative, clubs, churches, sports, education or environmental groups. This makes Taroona the welcoming, supportive and caring community that we know and love.

The October 2019 issue of *Taroona News* promotes the forthcoming Giant Garden Sale at the Taroona Neighbourhood Garden as part of the National Garage Sale Trail on 19 October, and the biennial Taroona Seaside Festival on 30 November at the Taroona Primary School – that showcases many of Taroona's community groups together with music, yummy food, interesting stalls and more.

I am particularly excited about *Transition Streets Taroona* inviting residents to be involved in building street-based sustainable communities that connect us with our neighbours. This is really just plain ol' common sense – we need to look out for one another, hunker down and build a strong and resilient community in a world that is increasingly fractured.



Louise Hinsby Reserve community gathering in action

On that note please come along to the community association's AGM on Saturday afternoon, 2 November, at the Taroona Cottage where you can learn about the work of the TCA and join us for a cuppa.

Look forward to catching up with you at one of these community events.

University /IMAS Planning Scheme Amendment Update

Earlier this year the community association lodged a representation on a planning scheme amendment advertised by Kingborough Council for the University of Tasmania's IMAS facility at Crayfish Point that will introduce

- Local Area Objectives to the Community Purpose Zone
- An additional discretionary use of resource development to the Community Purpose Zone.

These changes will allow for a commercial pilot scale tropical lobster hatchery and other future commercial developments on the area which previously was home to the breeding program for the Tasmanian devil and orange-bellied parrot. For a number of years the University has been undertaking multi-million dollar, world breaking commercial research that has successfully cracked the code of the life cycle of the tropical rock lobster.

This proposal takes the research into a new sphere of commercial operation. Essentially, the TCA is concerned about the precedent of commercial development on what is a research-based educational facility and the impact of that on the residential amenity and character of this area of Taroona. The IMAS site is, after all, zoned Community Purpose which provides for services and social infrastructure that ensures that it is protected from inappropriate use or development.

The TCA attended the hearings at the Planning Commission with other representors in late September. The applicant has now offered to restrict the amendment to just the 30 Nubeena Crescent (previous Crown Land title) rather than the entire site and the development to the pilot rock lobster hatchery only. The TCA however maintains this concern.

We anticipate that the amendment will be accepted by the Planning Commission so the TCA will be vigilant in readiness for the planning application to ensure there will be adequate provisions around the impacts on the local residential amenity.

Calendar

October

Fri 18 Taroona Ex Services' Club BBQ, Community Hall, 1.15pm

Sat 19 Taroona Neighbourhood Garden Giant Garden Sale, 10am–2pm

November

Sat 2 TCA AGM, Community Cottage, 4pm

Sat 2 Taroona Sippers and Purlers, Timeless Way, Kingston, 2–4pm

Sun 3 TEN Working Bee: Crayfish Point, 10am to 12noon

Tues 12 Bushfire Info Session, Taroona Primary School, 7pm

Fri 15 Taroona Ex Services' Club BBQ, Community Hall, 1.15pm

Sat 30 Taroona Seaside Festival, Taroona Primary School, 11am-3pm

December

Wed 4 Taroona High School Production –
– Fri 6 *The Wizard of Oz*, Taroona High

Sun 15 *Community Carols On the Lawn*, St Luke's Church, details next issue

Sun 15 Scouts Christmas Tree and produce sale, Grange Corner, confirmation and details next issue

Taroona Community Association: AGM

The TCA AGM will be held on Saturday November 2 at the Community Cottage, Batchelor Way, at 4.00 pm

Come along and catch up with what's happening in the Taroona community. (You're under no obligation to join the TCA.)

We'd love to see you there!

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Pump station update

The new IMAS pump station is taking form on the Derwent foreshore next to the Taroona foreshore walking track, after a long pause in its construction due to the original contractor going into liquidation. We expect that the new larger pump station will play an important role in servicing the water needs of the approximate 30 or so 10,000 litre tanks that are proposed for the commercial pilot tropical rock lobster hatchery.

Many questions have arisen from residents with a large barge assisting with the placement of the underway pipelines. The community looks forward to seeing the site fully revegetated and the foreshore rehabilitated when the works are completed.

A new life for Louise Hinsby Reserve

A big thank you to the fifteen or so locals who turned out on the brilliantly sunny July morning to drink tea and chat about Louise Hinsby Reserve and particularly to the kids who offered some funky ideas about designing their local patch which they have called "the grassy patch".



Local children drawing up their vision for the "grassy patch"

Mid 20th century this small community "grassy patch" was generously bequeathed by Louise Hinsby to Kingborough Council. It then became home to the Taroona Ex-Services Club Hall and pre-school in the late 1950s. Following the 1967 fires, the hall was moved down the Channel when a new hall and playground were built in Taroona Park where they remain today. We heard at the gathering that community cricket games organised by the Taroona Post Office were held every Christmas at the Louise Hinsby Reserve.

It was clear from the comments received that most people want the space to be identified as a community park with signage. With the increasing popularity of Hinsby Beach, there was a suggestion that the front of the park could be used for parking to relieve parking pressures in Jenkins St and Hinsby Rd which are regularly parked out in summer. However, the majority view of those attending was that using the park for carparking was inappropriate. Locals love the informality and openness of the patch that allows flexibility for games such as cricket and soccer and community gathering and want to keep it that way. Built structures, landscaping and parking may inhibit the flexibility of these community uses.

However there was general support for plantings around the edges (maybe some natives and some food based plants that are not too tall and maintain safe site lines), definition of the walkway that connects Hinsby Road to the reserve and the park edge from Jenkins Street, and a proposal for a funky community designed and built bench.

If you live nearby and didn't get to come along on the day, we would love to hear from you about your views as we are keen to progress plans with Kingborough Council. Send your comments to communityassociation@taroona.tas.au.

Jill Hickie, President, TCA



Transition Streets Taroona

Waste-free living advocates Oberon and Lauren Carter have started a new initiative called Transition Streets Taroona, and they are seeking your participation. This grassroots group focuses on connecting and supporting the residents of Taroona around issues of sustainability, and gives real meaning to the phrase, "think globally; act locally".

The Transition movement was started in the UK in 2006 and has since expanded to many parts of the world. Transition can be applied at the town or street level, and in Taroona's case, the aim is to improve local resilience at both scales. The initiative wants to help make our homes and streets more energy efficient, less resources dependent (oil, coal, gas and other resources), more self-reliant with food, less wasteful, healthier and more enjoyable places to live. And all the while, there will be greater real-life connections between neighbours, as people support each other to directly tackle climate change through practical action.

Taroona already has some excellent community groups that focus on certain aspects of sustainable living (e.g. Taroona Neighbourhood Garden, Plasticwise Taroona, Taroona Good Karma Network). There are lots of people in Taroona who are passionate about the environment. Transition Streets Taroona hopes to include these people, as well as those who are new to learning about how to reduce their carbon footprint. It would be fantastic to have local businesses and schools participate too. The success of Transition Streets Taroona will also be measured by how well it strengthens real-life connections between neighbours. And by how much fun we have doing it!

You can read more at: <https://transitionstreetstaroona.org/> and you can contact the group at transitionstreetstaroona@gmail.com to join the mailing list and learn more about upcoming meetings and events.



Taroona Book Sale 2019

The 2019 Taroona Book Sale was a great success! Proceeds from the sale allowed the Lions Club to make a substantial donation to both local schools and to other Kingborough community projects.

Organisers would like to thank the Taroona community for their great support this year.



What's going on out there?

If you've been walking along the coastal track near the IMAS site at Taroona, you might be wondering what's going on there – on the foreshore and out on the water?

When the existing pump station didn't have the capacity to meet the needs of the IMAS facility here, construction began on a new seawater pump station to replace it.

Work came to a standstill when the original contractor went into liquidation, but has started up again with new contractor Batchelor Construction Group on the job.

The new pump station will be fully commissioned and finished by mid-late December this year, but the existing pump station will be kept in service for the first 12 months before being decommissioned.

We're all looking forward to the foreshore area being rehabilitated when the marine work is completed.



Looking out for the little guys

IMAS does a wide range of research on common species like abalone and rock lobster. But we also do research on minor species that are equally important, such as periwinkles, cockles, urchin, scallops and more.

Why did IMAS researchers tag 3000 periwinkles, how could putting urchin on the menu help protect our reefs, and why is seismic testing for oil and gas a threat to scallops?

Watch Looking Out for the Little Guys to find out:

<https://tinyurl.com/IMAS-LittleGuysResearch>

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.

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Giant Garden Sale

with Tea and Cake

Saturday, 19th October, 10am – 2pm

Taroona is joining in with National Garage Sale for the third year. We are having a giant plant sale. Our members are busy growing herbs, vegetable seedlings and tomato plants ready for the day.

This is an opportunity to purchase some healthy, cheap, locally grown plants for your own garden.

We are keen to share ideas and tips for growing successfully.

Take some time out relaxing in the garden

Have a BBQ lunch before moving onto other sales in the area.

Scrumptious cakes, freshly baked for the day, will be available along with tea and coffee.



Please bring your own bag or basket.

Enquiries: tng@taroon.com.au

News from the Taroona Volunteer Fire Brigade

This past winter has been remarkably quiet for the Brigade. Nobody set fire to their houses or crashed their cars on the Channel Highway. Neither were we paged to attend to false fire alarms. This does not mean we were inactive. Winter training was pretty full-on. Our new training officer, Nick Enman, is taking his job very seriously and wants our Brigade to be the best there is.

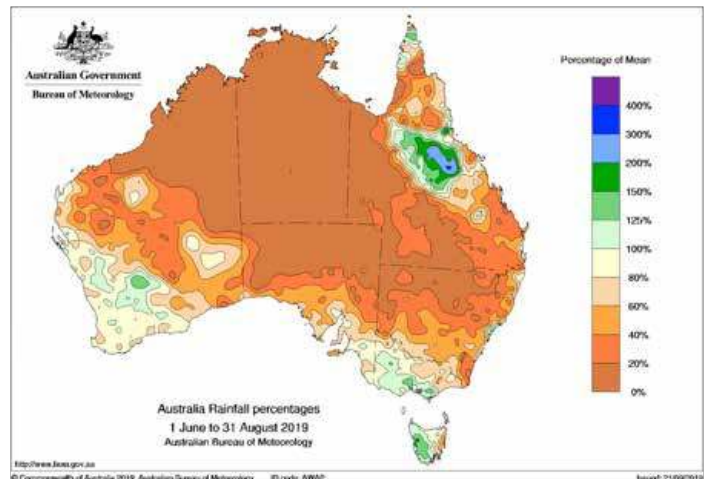
Taroona Volunteer Fire Brigade held a joint reconnaissance exercise with Mount Nelson Volunteer Fire Brigade on Sunday 22 September. This involved driving along little-used 4WD tracks above Taroona to assess bushfire risk, escape routes, and water refill points. Last time a significant bushfire struck the area was in 1997. The vegetation is dense in places and it will be very difficult to combat bushfires in this area. Joint exercises are good as these build trust and camaraderie crucial for effective multi-brigade responses to challenging bushfires.



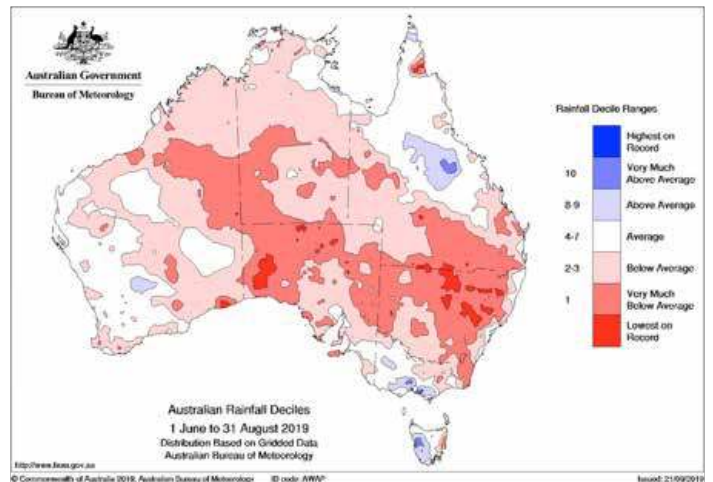
Convoy of vehicles that took part in the reconnaissance of the tracks above Taroona

We need to be well-prepared for the upcoming bushfire season. According to the Bureau of Meteorology, the early summer season will be dictated by a positive Indian Ocean Dipole and negative Southern Annular Mode (associated with sudden stratospheric warming over Antarctica). Rainfall is likely to be below average across most of the country. Daytime temperatures are very likely to be above average over virtually all of Australia from October to January.

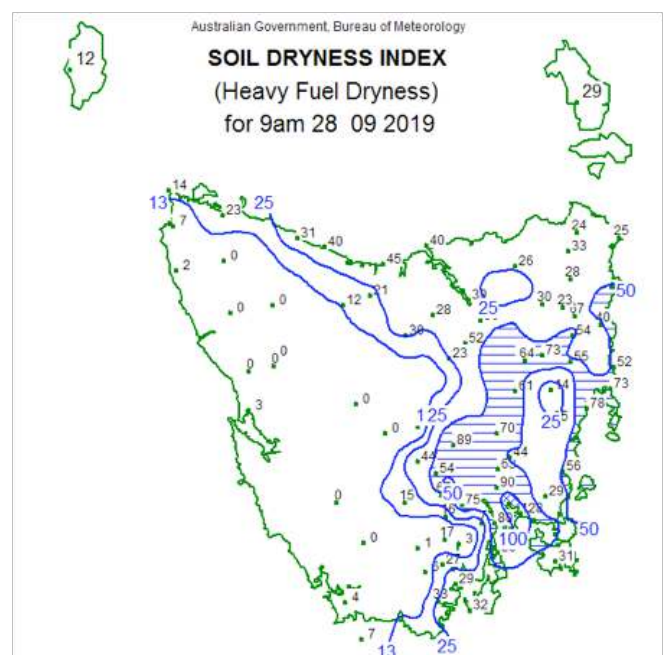
Although we expect a typical bushfire season in our neck of the woods this summer, this does not mean we can be complacent. Hobart experienced below-average winter rainfall, and with the forecast drier and warmer conditions, it means we have to be hyper-vigilant and well-prepared. The soil and fine fuel is very dry around Hobart. An errant spark can quickly turn into an out-of-control bushfire.



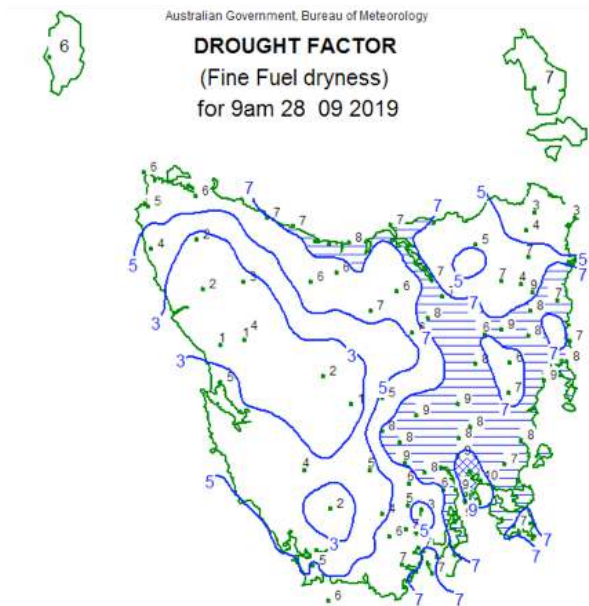
This year, Tasmania experienced above average rainfall in the west but below average rainfall in the east, including Hobart.



The east coast of Tasmania remains gripped by drought.



Soil dryness at 28 September. Hobart requires 100mm of rain to get soils to saturation level. This is unlikely to happen given the forecast for a drier than normal Spring. Dry soils mean higher fire danger rating.



Taroona falls within a high drought factor region. Anything above 6 means fires can sustain themselves overnight. Do not be surprised by an early start to our bushfire season.

Residents are urged to attend the bushfire ready information session to be held at Taroona Primary School on 12 November 2019 at 7.00pm (see page 6). Here you will receive an updated fire season outlook and be advised on what to do in the event of a bushfire emergency. You will also receive advice on how to better protect your home against ember attack. **Taroona has unique challenges, and residents need to be on top of their game.** Make sure you protect your house against ember attack! Remember, any major bushfire encroaching Taroona may affect neighbouring suburbs too. You may end up having to evacuate farther afield. Plan for disruptions lasting several days if not weeks in a worst-case scenario.

Taroona Environment Network (TEN) is restoring the natural vegetation in the vicinity of the fire station. The Brigade, led by Jordan Carter, is supporting TEN by watering newly planted native plants to give these a good head start. We also plan to help with the removal of non-native or invasive species. This includes cutting down a large pine tree in front of the fire station. Some landscaping work will be carried out to improve pathways and minimise erosion around the fire station. Taroona Volunteer Fire Brigade is proud to support the fantastic work carried out by TEN.

Remember to register any burns, no matter how small, you plan to have on your property with the Tasmania Fire Service – Freecall 1800 000 699. That way we can avoid false callouts. Fire permits are already required for the east coast local government areas (Glamorgan Spring Bay, Break O' Day, Sorell). It will not be long before this is extended to cover the whole of south-eastern Tasmania. Please note that backyard burning is banned on blocks less than 2,000 square metres.

Finally, Taroona Volunteer Fire Brigade acknowledges the generosity of Kingborough Council, RACT Insurance and the Commonwealth Government. We were able to use a community grant from Kingborough Council to procure fixed and portable

scene lights to illuminate our outside training area. Portable scene lights come in very handy for night operations (especially for house fires and road crashes). RACT Insurance funded the procurement of a new state-of-art thermal imaging camera. The Australian Government gave us a small grant to purchase new office and training equipment.



Burning parts of trees such as twigs, branches or leaves can be carried up to several kilometres away.

What you can do to protect your house from ember attack

- Think about the direction of ember attacks. Likely to be from the northwest but may vary around Taroona due to topography.
- Maximise non-flammable zones such as paths, driveways, and mowed lawns.
- Use non-flammable mulch or alternatives like gravel or native ground covers. Do not use woodchips or bark.
- Do not allow mulch to abut exterior walls. Rather lay down gravel.
- Locate any dams, orchards, vegetable gardens and any effluent disposal areas on the fire-prone side of the home.
- Remove fire hazards such as wood piles, rubbish heaps and stored fuels.
- Replace all highly flammable plants with low flammability plants (see <https://www.fire.tas.gov.au/publications/1709%20Brochure.pdf>)
- Use radiation shields and windbreaks such as stone or metal fences and hedges using low-flammability plants.
- Prune lower branches on trees and remove flammable shrubs from under and between trees. Trees can shield your house from ember attack so think twice about cutting trees down.
- Rake up bark and leaves and keep roofs and gutters clear of flammable debris.
- Replace broken or missing roof tiles.



Taroona SEASIDE FESTIVAL

SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER 11AM – 3PM

SAVE THE DATE - Saturday the 30th November (aka Taroona Seaside Festival) is shaping up to be an enjoyable community day with many exciting stalls and events locked in.

GOURMET FOOD STALLS

The **Gourmet Food Stalls** run by local families from our community, include the **Pulled Pork and Lamb Sliders**, **Cashew Creamery** ice creams/ icy poles, the **Crepe Stall**, and the popular **Gourmet Barbeque Stall** featuring **Tassal Salmon**.

COMMUNITY STALLS

Our **Community Stalls** include **Possums Play Centre & craft stall**, the **Taroona Volunteer Fire Fighters & Fire Truck** visit, **Birdlife Tasmania**, **Taroona Scouts** and the **Taroona Environment Network (TEN)**.

TPS CLASS STALLS

Taroona Primary School Class Stalls will provide a wonderful opportunity to purchase some Christmas gifts handmade by our talented local children. The children are working on handmade jewellery, Green Team projects, potting succulents, and the ever popular Kindergarten Peddlers Parade will be a highlight for all.

TREASURE STALL & PRELOVED CLOTHING STALL

The new look **Treasure Stall** (minus the trash) will be selling quality items such as board games, LEGO and dress-up costumes while the **Pre-loved Clothing Stall** will promote recycled, near new items. The Major Raffle promises to deliver some wonderful prizes and the **Book Stall** featuring quality second hand books and a Book Reading Circle will be a nice spot to rest and read between activities.

FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

Our talented local youth will be on show with our **Student Buskers** stall, the **Taroona Primary School Choir** and a special guest appearance by **Year 9 Taroona High School Stage & Concert Bands**. The **Jumping Castle**, **Tea Cup Rides** and **Rotary Train** will liven up the school oval, and the old favourite **Face Painting** stall will be run.

MESSAGE FROM "THE GREEN TEAM"

Be green at our Seaside Festival with 5 easy steps

- 1 Bring your own shopping bags to take your goodies home.
- 2 Use your own keep cups and enjoy a drink with a friend.
- 3 For sustainability, bring your own clean picnic plates and cutlery to avoid single use plastics.
- 4 For top marks, take your rubbish & recycling home with you.
- 5 Let's follow the **Five Rs** to care for our community!

REDUCE | REUSE | REFUSE | ROT | RECYCLE

Thank you to those Parents and Community Members who have already offered their support. Local residents and other Taroona Primary School Parents and Carers we welcome your involvement.

Can you help out on the day? We still have several spots to fill.

Alternatively, if you have produce to share, suggestions or feedback please email us: susandepaoli77@gmail.com or like our Facebook Page @TaroonaPrimarySchoolAssociation

Susan, Simona, Dominique, Katie, Susie & Kate
The Taroona Seaside Festival Sub Committee



Taroona Ex-Services' Club

The Club has a membership of over 70 mainly Taroona residents, of whom about 30 are ex-service personnel. Over the recent years, the Club has gradually changed to become a Social Club, where the ladies outnumber the gents, with a strong emphasis towards ANZAC Day, Remembrance Day and Legacy – but also many social functions: including mid and end of year dinners, outings such as a lunch time cruise on the Derwent, bus trips with visits to interesting locations (eg INCAT, Salmon Ponds, Outlands etc). We meet on the third Friday of each month, when the 14-strong mixed gender committee meet to plan these functions.

In the colder months, one hour presentations are given by prominent local and other knowledgeable citizens; but starting this month, and continuing through to May, we change to the barbecue season. For a very small donation, members and their guests will meet at the Community Hall at 1.15 pm on Friday 18 October (and the 3rd Friday of the following months) for a community style BBQ. You are very welcome to join us – no RSVP required.

Some prominent members of the Club are President Martin Potter, Fay Willey, John Kerr, Chris Harris, Diane Balding, Ron Martin, Judy Summers and Max Banks.

– David Thomson 62244394

Tuesday
12 November
7pm



BUSHFIRE
READY INFO
SESSION

Taroona Primary School
104 Channel Highway, Taroona

Are you prepared to
manage BUSHFIRE risk?

Know **YOUR** bushfire risk.
Make a plan.

Kingborough



Taroona Bowlo: Back to the good ol' days



Kingborough Mayor Dean Winter rolls the first bowl of the season.

Opening of the Greens

On Saturday 21st September, Taroona Bowls Club held their Opening of the Greens for the 2019/2020 season.

President Tracey Cameron welcomed club members and the Mayor of Kingborough Dean Winter rolled down the opening bowl of the season after a short speech in response to Tracey. Taroona introduced four new members to the greens with a social game before afternoon tea was served. An enjoyable day was had by all in an encouraging start to the new bowling year.

Fabulous meals and hospitality

The Taroona Bowlo is a warm and welcoming environment. All Taroona residents are invited to come along and bring the family. Functions big or small are welcome!

Our opening times are 3pm – late every day, with meals from 5.30 – 8pm on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Spots often fill quickly so it's best to book on 6227 8243.

Sample menu

Soup of the Day, Steak Sandwiches, Fish & Chips, Singapore Noodles, Chicken Schnitzel, Beef Schnitzel, Porterhouse Steak, Baked Blue Eye. All served with Chips & Salad or Vegetables.



Join us!

The Taroona Bowls Club is a traditional Australian lawn bowls club that welcomes both men and women bowlers. Members and guests and families can enjoy bowls, meals and friendship surrounded by the beauty of Taroona.

Chiton Chase, Taroona, Tasmania, Australia • Call (03) 6227 8243 • <https://www.facebook.com/taronabowlsclub/>



Farewell Philadelphia

Taroona residents will be very sad to hear that Corey and Nurul are no longer running their Philadelphia Cafe. But luckily we will still be able to purchase their delicious sourdough bread and pastries at the Sunday Farm Gate Market in Bathurst Street.

"Dear customers,

Please be advised, our shop is now closed, indefinitely.

We thank everyone who came to support us during the three or so years we were open.

We will still be at the Farm Gate Market every Sunday, with our wide range of sourdough breads and sourdough pastries, so please do visit us there! Thanks again!"

– Corey and Nurul



THE
PICNIC
BASKET



“ Hello, Taroona! My name is Zhen Sun and most people I know in Taroona will know my name as Liam, the owner of the 176 Channel Highway and The Picnic Basket Coffee (PB) Shop. I should have presented myself earlier but if you are a regular to PB, you will know what we have been through. And I am really reluctant to make such a public presence before I am sure we are running PB in the right way. Though now we are still hesitant but as part of Taroona, I feel now obliged to introduce myself and make myself acquainted to you.

I came from Beijing, People’s Republic of China. I was born in a small town 400km southbound from Beijing. In 2008, I moved to Beijing where I married my wife in 2010, and where she gave birth to my two lovely daughters in 2011 and 2016. I have been working in the automobile industry in most of my career years. I used to work for international companies like Mercedes-Benz and Volkswagen until 2017 when my family and I have made this important decision to change our life forever. We decided to move to Hobart.



The reason why we came to Hobart is self-evident. Hobart is the best city in the world! Where else could you find such a combination between natural beauty, mixed culture, noble citizens and close community? Especially so, when I look at the community of Taroona. You can almost see all the locals of Taroona here in PB. People gather here, eat, drink and laugh here. You feel full of positive energy when you can see this every day. Every day I spent here in Taroona, in Hobart, it just makes me feel glad how right a decision we have made to pursue everything here and feel proud that I am just part of the whole set of beautiful things.

Ever since we took over, we have been very careful with and loyal to what have been existing here for years. We tried to keep all the good stuff Simon and Kelly built, and bring some good and new stuff bit by bit on top of it. We smoothed the service process, we added new items on menu, we repair and maintain and invest in new facilities. We try to greet everyone coming to our shops personally and make friends. After 7 months or so, I am so glad to see that we survived! And for that I have to say huge thanks to all of you, all of our neighbours in Taroona and friends from all over the world! And we will never stop on the way to make you happy, and find a peaceful harbour here to spoil you yourself, your family and your friends!

Spring is now here. In order to say thanks to all of you and to welcome our favourite seasons coming back, **PB is making Friday night a ‘Feast Night’ for the month of October. We will offer a huge 20% discount on all the bills for every and each customer who come to us for dinner on a Friday night (we are only open for dinner on every Friday now). Come and join us to enjoy the feast! Please note that the voucher must be presented when asking for the discount, and that the discount is only valid for October 2019.**

Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you here in The Picnic Basket! ” – Liam



Discount Voucher

Valid only for
Friday evening meals
October 2019





“Delicious food, great coffee and service. Always enjoy coming here, by far my favorite spot for brekky or lunch. Staff are warm and friendly, kids are welcome.”



“Best coffee! Great breakfast! Amazing customer service!”

“Every Saturday I have post ride breakfast and coffee with my mountain bike buddies. Very friendly, good coffee & cakes. Great cafe for cyclists as they have great outdoor seating where sweaty, muddy mountain bikers can sit.”
– Jono, Hobart MTB Tours

*“***** Absolutely love this place”*
*“***** Scrumptious food!”*

Open 7 days, 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM, and for dinner on Friday evenings
Table bookings online at <https://www.facebook.com/thepicnicbasket.com.au/> or phone: 0477 225 427

The Picnic Basket Menu

Organic sourdough toast//fruit toast with butter and housemade jam //peanut butter //Vegemite \$7.5
Housemade gluten free nut and seed toast with butter and housemade jam //peanut butter //Vegemite (GF) \$9
Plain croissant \$4
With butter and housemade jam \$6
With ham, cheese and leaves \$8
With smoked salmon, poached egg, herbs hollandaise sauce and dressed leaves \$12
Free range poached eggs, scrambled or fried on organic sourdough \$10/(on nut and seed (GF, DF) \$12
Black rice, quinoa and coconut porridge with caramelized quince, coconut cream, toasted pistachio and coconut flake (VG, GF) \$15
Breakfast salad bowl with mixed seed, poached egg, broccolini, kale, quinoa, hummus and hazelnut dukkah (GF, DF) \$17
Pear salad with avocado, cucumber, caramelized maple walnut, goat cheese, basil, dressed leaves and a butter toast \$14 (VO)
Add chicken \$4
French toast with poached fruits, berries compote, housemade crisp dried fresh fruits and vanilla yogurt \$18
Miss Watson's with smashed avocado, roasted tomatoes and haloumi on housemade gluten free nut and seed toast (GF, DFO) \$18
Beef burger with bacon, provolone cheese, tomato, alfalfa, pickle and jalapeno aioli (GFO, DFO) \$16
Veg burger with black bean veggie patty, provolone cheese, tomato, avocado, alfalfa and hummus (GFO, DFO) \$16

Zucchini, quinoa, corn and coriander fritters with housemade pickled zucchini, beetroot relish, green pesto and poached eggs (GF) \$19
Belgium waffles with maple bacon, brandy whipping cream, fresh fruits, almond crumble and maple syrup \$20
Eggs Benedict with thick cut free range ham, poached eggs, herbs hollandaise sauce and dressed leaves \$20
Tasmanian smoked salmon with housemade beetroot relish, avocado, goat cheese, poached eggs on organic sourdough toast \$20
Egg and bacon roll with aioli, relish and dressed leaves \$7.5
Turkish mushrooms pide with haloumi, green pesto, red onion and dressed leaves \$12
Turkish veg pide with roasted vegetables, hummus, cheese and dressed leaves (VO) \$12
Turkish Chicken pide with poached chicken, bacon, cheese and Brazilian slaw \$12
Veg Burrito with Mexican rice, charred corn, mushroom, cauliflower, salsa and cheese (DFO) \$12

Sides.
Haloumi \$4.5//Baked mushrooms \$4.5//Bacon \$4.5//Chorizo \$4.5//Salmon \$4.5//Chicken \$4//Avocado \$4off//Roasted tomato \$4//Relish \$2//Egg \$3//Pickled zucchini \$3//Add GF bread \$2.5

Daytime menu

PIZZA
Margherita pizza with housemade napoli, Italian mozzarella and fresh basil. 14
Salami and Chorizo Margherita pizza with housemade napoli, Italian mozzarella and fresh basil 20
Honzoku pizza with housemade napoli, free-range ham and grilled pineapple. 18
Mushrooms pizza with Italian mozzarella, olive and rocket. 18
FRESH SPRING ROLLS 2 pcs - 8
Organic tofu, mushrooms and vermicelli noodles wrapped in rice paper with herbs and oak leaf lettuce, served with housemade hoisin peanut sauce. (Vegan)
Prawn and vermicelli noodles wrapped in rice paper with herbs and oak leaf lettuce, served with housemade hoisin peanut sauce.
SALADS
Prawn salad with cucumber noodle, shredded carrot, lentilgrass, mint, lime and peanut served with prawn cracker (GF, DF)
For one person / For share - 10/18
Pear salad with rocket, goat cheese, caramelized walnut and olive oil (GF, VO), 16
YANGNYEOM CHICKEN Crispy Korean chicken wings coated in Saerjang sauce
4 pcs - 11
10 pcs - 18

Beef burger with crispy bacon, fresh tomato, jalapeno and mustard mayonnaise, provolone cheese, oak leaf lettuce and fries (GFO, DFO). 20
Chicken burger with mustard mayonnaise, coleslaw, spring onion and fries. 20
Braised lamb shoulder served with polenta cake, broccolini and housemade red wine sauce. 24
Fish and chips with a side of mixed salad. 22
Confit duck leg with celeriac remoulade and hasselback potato. 25

DESSERT
Housemade Tiramisu with fresh berries. 10
Eclair with vanilla ice-cream, fresh strawberries and berries sauce. 10
Please ask our friendly staffs or see cakes on display for more choices.

Friday Dinner menu

POSSUMS Playcentre



Possums Playcentre Spring Adventures!

The children at Possums have been exploring the amazing qualities of felt and creating a Spring mural for the Taroona Community Hall. They created colourful spring flowers, bees, birds and nests, and also loved learning the dry felting technique to make pictures.

Our excursion this term was to Legacy Park on the Queen's Domain to try out our balancing and climbing skills. The Education and Care Unit of the Tas. Education Department provided funds from the Minor Infrastructure Grant to enable our centre to purchase a variety of climbing and balancing equipment to challenge the children's gross motor skills.

We raised funds for Asthma Australia's PJ Day. The children thought it was great fun to wear their pyjamas to Possums!

We are now taking enrolments for 2020. Please phone Lyn on 0418390432 or email possumsplaycentre@hotmail.com

If you would like more information about our early learning program please join us for a session. Term 4 begins on Monday October 14th.





tarooona environment network

a bushcare/coastcare group supported by Kingborough Council.

TEN is moving! That's right, after many years of having our own website, TEN has moved its website content to the Taroona Community Association's website at <https://tarooona.tas.au/TEN/>

Advice from our website host of massive increases in hosting and associated fees was the impetus for our move. While TEN regrets some loss of identity that may have resulted, our affiliation with TCA has always been strong and this amalgamation is a natural fit for both organisations.

It is timely to acknowledge the work of former member Tim Jones in designing our website and Fiona Rice for her inspired writing and flare for presentation in developing content across a wide range of subjects pertinent to our culturally and naturally rich environment.

We could not have made this move so seamlessly without the skilled input of Deirdre Brown who has spent countless hours problem solving, training and moving our content across. And while all this has been happening, new committee member Naomi Lawrence has reviewed our old website and has suggested updates and improvements that have been or will soon be implemented at the new site.

Your comments, positive or negative, would be appreciated. Our email address info@ten.org.au will remain active until 26 November 2019. After that, comments



Photo: Nigel Richardson

TEN member Nel Smit (left in red) together with Taroona High School students at the 2019 National Tree Day planting.

can be emailed to ten@tarooona.tas.au Alternatively, join us at our **next working bee at Crayfish Point (Taroona Park) on November 3 from 10-00am until 12 noon** where tools, training and refreshments will be provided.

National Tree Day: TEN marked National Tree Day in July by organising two working bees at Taroona High School. During the first, members of the community planted native trees and shrubs in the high school gully where TEN had previously removed a major blackberry infestation. Removal of the blackberries made stabilising the loose, steep slopes a priority. A second working bee of high school and Taroona Primary School students continued planting in the flatter section of the gully both up and downstream from the new footpath and creek crossing. Because most of the plants were planted into unusually dry soils, hand watering was needed after planting. Good follow-up rains during August have helped plants get established but watering may again be needed without good spring rains.

Fire Station landscaping: In early July, a very well attended working bee successfully planted the first stage of the Fire Station landscaping plan. TEN appreciates the follow-up watering done by the Taroona Volunteer Fire Brigade as well as their work to remove invasive weeds and pine trees in readiness for future planting. TEN looks forward to continuing this productive partnership at future working bees.

New TEN treasurer: In the last newsletter, TEN welcomed Andree Kimber to the role of treasurer. Unfortunately, because of family and study commitments, Andree has had to relinquish the position. TEN thanks Andree for her work and wishes her well for the future. We welcome Michael Lynch as the new TEN treasurer.

– Nigel Richardson, TEN Public Officer

If you need more information contact us at info@ten.org.au or come to our next event!



There's new kids in town ...

Ozus Coffee embeds the characteristics of our Taroona community – charming, peaceful and community-based. We offer quality coffee, wholesome toasted sandwiches and a variety of sweet delicacies. Our menu is simple in nature with a strong focus on being affordable without sacrificing volume and flavours.

Ozus Coffee has gone above and beyond to ensure all products and aspects of our business will support other Tasmanian businesses aiming for symbiotic growth. Our motto '**For Tasmania, From Tasmania**' encapsulates our strong values around Tasmanian culture, economics and service.

With the iconic Truganini Track within arms reach, you can enjoy your coffee in whichever way you prefer. Grab a take away coffee to start your day, take time to walk around the neighbourhood and treat yourself with homemade sweets or catch up with a friend with our outdoor seating and the sun glistening down.

We are located at the Truganini Reserve open Mondays through to Fridays from 7am-2pm. For regular updates we can be found on Facebook: Ozus Coffee or Instagram @Ozus_coffee.



Theo and Maggie at your service!

Let's reduce the roadkill toll in Taroona



Tasmania is the roadkill region of the world. It is estimated that over 500,000 animals are killed on our roads every year. Here in Taroona, where our suburb nudges the bush, native animals often cross or travel our roads, or feed on roadsides. This means that they can find themselves in the path of motorists. They can be difficult to see and behave unpredictably, as they are dazzled by headlights.

If you find injured or orphaned wildlife

- Keep the animal warm
- Keep the animal dark
- Keep the animal quiet
- Keep handling to a minimum
- Do not provide food or drink
- Call Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary's 24-hour wildlife rescue service on 0447 264 625 (0447 ANIMAL)

Take care while driving at night

Slow down and be extra vigilant at dawn and dusk, when native animals are most active. This will help keep them – and you – safe.

If you would like to help

Bonorong runs free training on basic wildlife rescue and maintains a database of people all around the state on call to help. The next Wildlife Rescue Training is on 19 October at UTAS Sandy Bay. See <https://www.bonorong.com.au/wildlife-rescue-training>



Slow down sticker

Get yourself a locally-made bumper sticker to alert other motorists: <https://www.grafkhaus.com.au/product-page/slow-down-bumper-sticker>



Report what roadkill you have seen

Help scientists pinpoint roadkill location hotspots so they can introduce mitigation techniques to reduce the amount of roadkill and protect threatened species. Log your sightings on the Tas Roadkill App. You can get more info at <https://dpiwte.tas.gov.au/wildlife-management/save-the-tasmanian-devil-program/about-the-program/roadkill-project/roadkill-tas-app>

Taroona Scout Group: Taroona Scouts on Ice



Scouts provide a diverse range of activities and experiences. Two such events involved ice – the cold variety!

In recent weeks Scouts, their siblings and parents/carers enjoyed a fun and challenging evening at Ice Skating

Tasmania. For many it was their first time skating, and like true Scouts they worked hard to master this new skill! Scouts always strive to learn and build resilience and this night out was no exception. As shown below, the leaders, Alan, and adults re-acquainted themselves with their inner child by helping our youth enjoy the various ice toys.



The second ice experience was associated with the Group's annual snow camp held at Mount Field using the Wellington Ski & Outdoor Club's hut on the shore of Lake Dobson as a base. The Taroona cubs and scouts chose a perfect weekend where there was plenty of



snow for tobogganing and the weather held off, just, for a brisk walk to the start of the Tarn Shelf. The morning views over Lake Dobson were spectacular and the frozen lake provided free ice creams for the cubs and scouts. The photo provides some idea of how the weather can provide an icy experience.

Demonstrating the variety of experiences, on one of the coldest mornings of the year, the Taroona Scout Group participated in Hit Radio 100.9's early morning breakfast Live In Your Drive outdoor broadcast from the Grange Corner reserve on 28th August. In addition to enjoying an egg and bacon roll breakfast, Naomi, Belinda and Dharma were interviewed about what fun it is to be in Scouts. It was a great showing for the group and we managed to fit 27 scouts into a 4–5 person tent – a record!

In addition to the more traditional scouting adventures, other activities included the Kingborough Council's Natural Areas Interpretation Officer taking the Scouts on a walk through the



Browns River wetlands, and ten Venturers collected for Legacy and raised over \$700 and then went on to an active night at badminton. To complete the term, five Venturers entered the State wide Tenniswood trophy held in Northern Tasmania and were featured on the Southern Cross news demonstrating their survival, first-aid and communication skills.

The Scout section welcomed their newest leader David Sakko who will be a great addition to the Group's leadership team.

Finally, we plan to continue our long-standing tradition and again sell Christmas trees at the Truganini reserve on Saturday 14 December.

If you would like any information concerning the Taroona Scout Group or are interested in youth membership or a leader role, please contact either **Mike Green 6227 9139** or **Janet 0400 297 646**.



Come along and enjoy an uplifting night of short films telling inspiring and untold stories of women from Tasmania.

Book tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/women-of-the-island-kingston-screening-tickets-7144758861>

St Luke's Playgroup



We are excited to have begun a playgroup at St Luke's to encourage and support young families in the community. We are meeting on Tuesday mornings during school term time from 10:45- 12:15. Lots of toys and activities, stories and singing. Just \$3 donation and bring a piece of fruit to share for snack time. We'd love to see Mums, Dads, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles and carers of all children from 0–5 years. We meet in the community room at St Luke's Anglican Church, 173 Channel Highway Taroona. Walk up from the highway or park off Coolamon Rd. Hope to see you after the holidays on the 15th October.

For enquiries please phone Ruth Hanlon 0401 637 071 or email ruth@sandybaytaroonanglican.org



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Taroona Tennis Club News



Tony Hope (left) and Gabriel Pronobis. Tony is a very active player and a past President. Gabriel is the Patron of the Taroona Tennis Club and at 92 shows just how good tennis is for one's health! Gabriel plays a very good game of tennis each Tuesday and Saturday.

Now that the better weather and warmer days are here there are even more opportunities to play tennis! The Taroona Tennis Club is in the process of introducing Book-a-Court, a platform which enables members of the community to book and pay for courts online. A lot of testing is currently taking place and the system will go live soon.

The Club offers social tennis and also opportunities for members to play in competitions which involve players from the greater Hobart area. Several Taroona ladies are participating in the Midweek Ladies Spring Pennant and some Taroona men are playing in the AYC evening competition.

After a break over winter junior social tennis will start soon on a Friday evening.

Coach, Andrew Etherington, is available to provide coaching for juniors and adults.

This year the Club celebrates its 60th anniversary. Two functions will mark the occasion – a celebratory dinner and a family fun day and BBQ.

Community members may have noticed that Court 4 is in a very poor condition in comparison to the other three courts. The Club is currently waiting to hear the result of its Sport and Recreation Major Grant Application. Hopefully the application will be successful and the court can be resurfaced in the not-too-distant future.

Diane Balding is happy to provide more information about the Club and can be contacted on 6227 9232 or 0488 086 381.

Us: Longcomers and Newcomers

In future newsletters we're including a short article about one of us! Many very talented professional and creative people live in Taroona. Of course, we're all talented and interesting aren't we? It's clichéd but true: every one of us does have a story.

Our first story is about John and Kate. You may have seen John walking his dog along the Channel Highway.

John Simons and Kate Downhill moved to Taroona by accident in December 2016. They had intended to live in Hobart city but on a house-hunting weekend in April 2016, drove past a house in Taroona. They immediately loved it and agreed on the sale in the Hobart airport departure lounge on their way back to Sydney. They haven't regretted that decision for one second.

They came to Australia from England in 2009 when John was head hunted for a post at Macquarie University and they haven't regretted that decision either. Ironically, they were both offered jobs in Australia in 1983 – Kate as a hospital administrator and John as a lecturer in Old Icelandic. But in those days Australia seemed an awfully long way away and they were not ready to commit to such a big change.

Kate is an artist and silversmith. She was educated at Newcastle and Exeter where she studied English and Fine Art. She has done various things in her life – graphic designer, senior civil servant, antique dealer, university lecturer – but her painting and subsequently her jewellery making have been a constant presence. She is an academician and since coming to Australia has been short-listed for the Alice Prize and the Grace Cossington Smith Prize. Her exhibition *Chain Reaction* (2014) was an exploration of the nuclear tests in Australia (her father was a nuclear physicist on the testing team) and her painting in the touring exhibition *Black Mist, Burnt Country* was shown in the National Gallery in 2017. She is still exhibiting work.

John tried work for a year when he left school but then discovered universities. He retired after a career in universities in England, the USA and Australia during which he did every academic job from part-time lecturer to acting Vice Chancellor. Most recently he was Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic) at Macquarie University. He is an Emeritus Professor at Macquarie and an Adjunct Professor at UTAS. He is a cultural historian and has written or edited some 21 academic books and many articles on various topics ranging from the history of cricket to Andy Warhol. Over the last 15 years or so he has concentrated on researching the history of human-animal relationships and especially the trade in exotic animals



in the British Empire.

His most recent book is

Obaysch - A Hippopotamus in Victoria London

(Sydney University Press, 2019) and he is working on his next which will be called *A Goldfish in the Parlour* and is about Victorian encounters with fish. He is also a published poet and is currently looking for a publisher for his first novel which is called *The Penguin Digester*.

Kate and John have been married for 35 years and have one grown up son and two grandsons all of whom live in England. In fact they have married each other twice. In 1998 they converted to Orthodox Christianity and in 1999 they had a wonderful big fat Greek wedding. They feel very fortunate to have found a welcoming Orthodox community at Holy Trinity in Hobart.

They share an interest in food and wine and are both keen cooks. They have a marvellous dog called Teddy.

If you would like to share your story, or provide a name of someone who could, please email Ros at thestoddarts@gmail.com

Taroona Sippers and Purlers

The Taroona Knitters and Purlers meet at the Timeless Way Cafe in Channel Court, Kingston, on the first Saturday or each month (except January), from 2pm to 4pm. Please join us for good company while you knit.

For more information, email thestoddarts@gmail.com

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– Environmental Weed Profile – Blackberry

The Taroona Environment Network (TEN) has, for many years been steadily working away at removing and controlling some of the most invasive weeds that abound in bushland around Taroona. One of these are blackberries which can be a nightmare to deal with if left unchecked. **Many of us have a love/hate relationship with this weed as it can quickly become rampant and create many issues while many of us love to eat its fruit.** If you would like to help us with this never-ending task, check out our yearly working bee schedule here <https://taroona.tas.au/TEN/>

Blackberry is the name used for a range of over 375 closely related species. In Tasmania 7 distinct species are known to occur.

Status

All blackberry species are introduced species and are declared weeds under the Tasmanian Weed Management Act 1999 and are also listed as weeds of National Significance. Because of their legal status land holders are obliged to control blackberries on their land and the importation, sale and distribution of blackberry plants are prohibited in Tasmania. The legal responsibilities of landholders and other stakeholders in dealing with blackberry are laid out in detail in the Statutory Weed Management Plan for Blackberry:

https://dpiwpe.tas.gov.au/Documents/Blackberry_WMP_2011.pdf

What does it look like?

All species of blackberry look very similar and are easy to identify. They are long-lived, evergreen, but sometimes partly deciduous, sprawling woody shrubs often forming mounds. Blackberries can produce dense thickets which can reach two or more meters in height and cover many square meters in area.

The stems (canes) are spiny and can be erect, arching or trailing and can reach up to 6 m in length. The first-year canes are reddish purple where exposed or green where not exposed and may or may not have hairs.

The leaves occur along the length of the canes and mostly consist of 5 distinct leaflets, arranged in a hand shape.

The flowers are white or pink with five petals and form on short stalks (<5cm) at the apex (tips) of the second-year canes.

Blackberries produce edible aggregate fruits, which are initially green, turning black when ripe. (They are yummy though!)

How did it get here?

Blackberry was introduced to Australia in the 1840s as a horticultural plant for the production of fruit.

Where is it from?

Blackberry is native to the temperate Northern hemisphere and is widespread in these areas.

In many other parts of the world for example Chile, New Zealand, and the Pacific Northwest of North America, some blackberry species are also regarded as weeds.

Blackberry is found throughout temperate mainland Australia. In Tasmania, due to the temperate climate, it is widespread. It occurs in settled areas particularly where it is open or disturbed, such as along stream-sides, roadsides, tracks and fence lines, and in degraded pastures.

How does it grow and spread?

It is interesting that blackberry species are usually genetically identical from one generation to the next. While pollination is needed to get the fruit to form, there is no fusion of egg and sperm cells and so the seeds produced are identical to the mother plant.

Blackberries can proliferate very quickly via seed or through suckering. Plants fruit prolifically in late summer. The fruits may contain as many as 80 seeds and can



Photo: Naomi Lawrence

survive being eaten by animals. The canes of blackberries are able to send out roots at the tip where they touch the ground, allowing blackberries to cover large areas. Blackberries will also grow from root suckers and root fragments.

Blackberry can be quickly dispersed large distances by animals such as birds who eat the fruit and introduce it to areas via their droppings, by creeks and rivers or by moving soil containing seed or root fragments from one place to another.

Blackberry can establish itself in most places as it is very hardy and does not have any particular habitat requirements apart from the need for adequate rainfall (>770mm pa).

Why is it a problem?

Blackberry, though a problem weed species, is also useful as it has delicious edible fruit which is popular and provides a good source of pollen and nectar for honey-bees. It is also ideal habitat for bettongs and bandicoots. However, the problems can outweigh the benefits. It is regarded as one of the worst weeds in southern Australia because of its invasiveness, potential for spread, and economic and environmental impacts.

How can it be controlled?

There are a number of effective options to control existing blackberry infestations. Blackberry can be physically removed by repeated slashing or by burning, dozing or grazing (particularly by goats). However, for these control methods to be successful repeated follow-up treatment of regrowth by herbicide, grazing or cultivation is essential.

Biological control is another method that can be used, such as the Blackberry leaf rust fungus. Again, biological control on its own will not eradicate blackberry, and should be used in conjunction with other control methods.

There is also chemical control is another option and there are number of herbicides registered for use on blackberry in Tasmania. See <https://dpiwpe.tas.gov.au/invasive-species/weeds/weeds-index/declared-weeds-index/blackberry/blackberry-herbicides-for-control> for more information.

Herbicide spraying of blackberries works best from petal fall to leaf fall, usually from December to May. To be effective complete coverage of all canes and leaves is essential, including those growing from suckers away from the main bush. Herbicide application after slashing, burning, or grazing should be done when regrowth is at least 50 cm high.

Taroona Environment Network's preferred method of control is to cut each individual plant back until the main stem is clearly visible and then dig around using a small pick until the plant can be removed with as many roots as possible still attached. The plant (and prunings) should be burnt or properly disposed of to prevent them from reshooting. This is a viable method of control on smaller infestations without the need for herbicides.

Always consider the impact of your control methods – for example the effect of herbicides on other species, on soil disturbance, water contamination and human health.

Do not apply any herbicides to blackberry plants that are carrying fruit.

To help prevent further spread of blackberry ensure equipment is kept clean after use and removed plant material is disposed of properly. Act quickly when a new infestation is discovered, eradicate it before the plants reach the flowering stage: once plants begin seeding, control becomes more difficult and expensive.

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Photo: Mick Brown

Taroona's birdlife

In 1988 the Taroona Historical Group published *Taroona 1808-1986 Farmlands to a Garden Suburb*. The book is now available online at <https://taroona.tas.au/the-taroona-book/taroona-book-digitised/>. The book contains an account of the fauna, including birds, by Hans and Jolanda Naarding.

Mick Brown and Peter Vaughan have recently re-surveyed the birds of Taroona and looked at the changes that have occurred over the past 33 years. Their article will be published in the 2019 edition of *The Tasmanian Naturalist*. They have found 105 species recently observed or recorded, but two species reported in 1986 have not been seen since. Ten of the species are introduced, and the rest are native species which are either breeding or non-breeding residents or vagrants. There has been an upsurge in the numbers of Little Wattlebirds and Kookaburras, and species such as Spotted Doves, Galahs and Sulphur-crested Cockatoos are now common but were not recorded in 1986.

Eleven of the Tasmania's twelve endemic bird species are found here as well as seven species listed as threatened under State or Commonwealth legislation. The Forty-spotted Pardalote is listed as endangered by both Governments. There used to be some colonies of this species in Taroona, but now only occasional birds are seen. **This photograph by Mick Brown shows a fight between a Striated Pardalote (top) and a Forty-spotted Pardalote (bottom) for a nesting hollow within the Peter Murrell Reserve.** Luckily on this occasion the Forty-spotted Pardalote won, and set up a nest with its partner.

More pictures of Taroona's birds can be found at <https://taroona.tas.au/environment/>

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