

# Tasman Times

July 2012

Once again we have had a busy time in Tasman and Kina with plenty of issues to deal with.



Remember this is your newsletter, so let us know if you have anything important for the community.

David Short (E: [dshort@ts.co.nz](mailto:dshort@ts.co.nz), T: 526 6877)

## From The Chair

Hello Tasman

Well, another great autumn's weather, which I'm sure was enjoyed by all. I know that all the growers out there had a great finish to harvest and the fruit quality was brilliant. It will be a good year to support the local producers, which leads me to nicely to a very important matter.

As we all grapple with the global recession and we think how it will affect not only NZ, but our own lives here in sunny Tasman, it highlights the importance of community and how we all interact within it. Whether it's helping your neighbour when they need a hand or choosing to support local business through the winter months, it all goes some way to building stronger relationships and a stronger community and TACA is working hard to help make this happen and to build a great community.

***So think Global, act Local Tasman.***

Cheers Hamish Rush

## Admin Stuff

**The AGM will be held on Wednesday 25th July at 1930 hours in the Multi Purpose Hall at Tasman School.**

The Mayor and our Councillors have been invited to attend. In addition to the usual business, we have asked Fiona Newey, the Executive Officer of the Nelson Tasman Cycle Trails Trust to speak to us about the progress of the cycle trail with particular reference to the business and recreational opportunities this could present to our area. Don't miss the opportunity to hear



about the exciting future of Tasman's Great Taste Trail.

Hamish Rush will be stepping down from the Chair at the AGM, so we will need to elect a new Chairperson. There will also be vacancies on the Board so if you want to take part in the running of the Association, or perhaps could nominate a likely candidate, let me know in advance or come along to the meeting. An additional female member of the Board would be particularly welcome.

The AGM presents an ideal opportunity to raise an issue – with the Board or our Councillors - that is of interest or potential concern to the community as a whole. If there is a topic you would like to raise and discuss, please let me know as soon as possible. Items can be raised at the meeting but only at the Chair's discretion.

To be able to speak and vote at the meeting you need to be a financial member, so if you have not yet paid this year's sub (\$2 per individual and \$5 per family) come armed with the necessary to settle up before the meeting starts. Or, you can pay online, by direct bank transfer –details at the end of the Newsletter.

## Local Reserves

### Tasman Reserve (off Dicker Road)

Rush Lane has finally been fully repaired and discussions are ongoing to arrange for the vegetation strip between the lane and Aporo Road to be tidied up. A regular maintenance schedule for the Reserve has been established and some more planting has been carried out by TDC.

### Tasman Underpass Graffiti

TACA have contacted Chris Finlayson about getting a mural on all or parts of the Tasman Underpass as a deterrent to the graffiti that is appearing. Currently options are being explored to find funding and to work on ways the community can be involved with the painting in the hope that being involved will give ownership and hence deter the graffiti.

### Tasman Domain open orchard

Now that the ground work for the pump track is completed, we are looking to continue the planting of productive trees around the Domain to enhance its look and to provide an on-going source of free food for the community. The emphasis for the next planting is on low maintenance tree crops with fruit and nuts that fall when ripe.

So far we have chosen a selection of Walnuts, Pecans and Macadamia nuts for the higher area of the Domain next to the Rush's orchard and feijoas next to the Pump Track. These will also add to the screening of the Pump Track from the Dicker Road houses without getting too big, dropping leaves or casting too much shade. It is hoped to have the trees planted by the middle of July, so they can get away quickly in the spring.

### **Pump Track**

The next big thing to hit Tasman is all but complete with all of the construction now complete and the grass sown on the verges - it's looking great. BUT



and it is a BIG BUT, we can't open the track at the moment partly due to the clay needing time to settle in and the wet weather is not helping this process, so at this point riding on the track will only do damage to the surface and slow the settling process. We have erected an open/closed sign and Tasman School will be holding their annual cross country on the 20<sup>th</sup> July starting in the Domain and the Fa'avae's will be holding a Pump Track introduction to all those who are keen.

### **Kina Beach Reserve**

With a very busy season over, the Reserve is returning to a more friendly "locals" use. At times during the summer there were so many campers on site that it was difficult to see how Roger and Roseanne could accommodate any more – but generally they did and not too many visitors were turned away disappointed. With the lock-out continuing at Baigent Domain, a number of local groups have now adopted the Reserve as the Sausage Sizzle and BBQ spot for their summer gatherings.

### **Old Mill Site- Kina Beach Road**



The working bees have re-commenced with a major assault on the summer's growth of convolvulus and bidi bidi which is now pretty much under control – re-growth of broom and gorse is manageable but the persistent pampas seedlings continues to be a perennial problem. The next phase will be to continue the formation of the walking track around the site – moving any of our earlier plantings as necessary. If you can spare an hour or so on the first Saturday of each month from 10am do come along and join us – we have an enjoyable morning – usually with tea and buns around 11am – and the satisfaction of knowing that if all goes according to plan, our children and grandchildren will have another recognised Reserve to enjoy in the future.

### **Kina Beach Road – Blind Bend**

#### **Blind Bend Walkway**

Well seeing IS believing – and the walkway has been started by TDC. It may not quite be as much as we had hoped for but nevertheless it begins to deal with the major issue of the corner.



We have asked for signage to encourage pedestrians and cyclists to use the outer edge of the corner and in due course may be able to extend the length of the walkway to make it just that bit more user friendly – BUT a long wait is over and we have the bones of a solution to this dangerous part of our area.

Our submission to Council to reduce the speed limit on the road to 60kph was unsuccessful and it now appears that an 80kph will be applied from the junction with Aporo Road to the present 70kph limit. We still feel this is too fast and

accordingly have proceeded with our plan to erect three “voluntary” speed reduction signs based on pictures chosen by the Mayor from a selection painted by our schoolchildren. Using funds granted by the Lion Foundation and the persuasive “tongue” of Bernard Redshaw to circumvent a seemingly impassable mound of road regulation “red tape”, these signs should also be erected in the not too distant future. Many thanks to the landowners who have agreed to let us put them up on their property.

### Other Local Works

The Baldwin Road flood relief work is scheduled to proceed in 2012/2013 at a cost of \$417,000. Council have reviewed the speed limits on Aporo Road and whilst this has yet to be confirmed we understand the limit through the village will be 60kph, rising to 80kph at the present 70kph sign, as far as Jester House when it will then rise to 100kph until Ruby Bay (as at present). The decision not to reduce this to 80kph is disappointing, particularly as our local Councillor lobbied hard on our behalf.

### Kina Beach Accretion Claim



We continue to support TDC's objection to the application by a beachside property owner on Kina Peninsula Road to lay claim to some 30m of beach in front of the property. While having no objection to the owners verifying their boundary, the photo of 06 June clearly shows the natural boundary between sea and land.

### Welcome Packs

A further supply of Welcome Packs will shortly be made available to the Schools and the Store.

Newcomers to our area are encouraged to get hold of a pack and catch up with what is going on in the village and surrounds and to join the Association.

## Tasman Store, Aporo Road, Tasman

Time has flown by and it's been 8 months since the Tasman Store reopened and Lance has been working hard to learn what the community wants and needs from their local store.

A bit of a change around inside due to the addition of 'the long table' has given the store a fresh new look. The table was made specifically for the Store by Tony Clark of Jointworks in Tasman and fits in beautifully. 'The long table' can be booked for groups, meetings or just drop in and have a coffee and a homemade muffin and use the free Wi-Fi.

Starting this weekend the Store is offering a Sunday brunch menu from 10am -1pm. Delicious food together with Lance's consistently awesome award winning coffee will make for a great start to your Sunday.



Don't forget the Store offers petrol at Nelson prices, pies, sandwiches, cookies, muffins, brownies, soup and toasted sandwiches. A range of groceries is still available plus cold drinks, magazines, cards & gift wrap.



Check out the noticeboard for community happenings and ads. Lance is also busy regularly roasting coffee, so pop in and get some beans, plunger or espresso for home. So don't hibernate this winter, pop in and see Lance and his friendly staff, Vanessa and Donna!



We look forward to seeing you soon,  
Lance, Anna, Caitlin and Pippa  
[thetasmanstore@xtra.co.nz](mailto:thetasmanstore@xtra.co.nz)

PS if you're in a rush in the morning, text your coffee order to Lance 021 514 190 and it will be ready and waiting for you.



**Tasman Golf Club** welcomes you to play our 9 hole course.

- ◆ Green fees \$21 for 18 holes (affiliated \$19) & \$16 for 9 holes.
- ◆ Concession books available 10 rounds of 9 hole golf for \$100 or 18 holes for \$150.
- ◆ Membership for 18 hole women is \$300 for 2012.
- ◆ 1<sup>st</sup> year 9 hole member \$161
- ◆ 9 hole women & men \$289
- ◆ 18 hole men \$385
- ◆ First year 18 hole member \$289

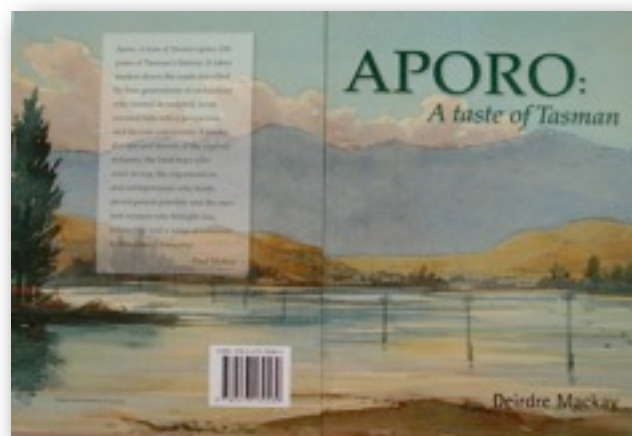
2012 is our 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee year and we have a big weekend planned for the 30<sup>th</sup> November, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> December. If you would like to join in the festivities, please phone me or look on our website for details.

More information, phone Kathy 03 526 6819 or email: [teeup@tasmangolfclub.co.nz](mailto:teeup@tasmangolfclub.co.nz) or go to our website [www.tasmangolfclub.co.nz](http://www.tasmangolfclub.co.nz)

## Village Water reticulation

This project is now on hold as a “stand alone” option following the estimation of the significant cost involved on individual households. The provision of good quality drinking water for the village and surrounds is now bound up with the Coastal Pipeline that will take water from the Motueka aquifer to the Waimea Plain. Discussions between Council and concerned parties are ongoing but we have been assured that the Pipeline (along with the Lee Valley dam project) remain top priorities for Council. However, even when all the regulatory hurdles have been overcome there will still remain the question of cost and this will probably manifest itself in additional water rates across the region.

## Tasman Community History Project APORO – A taste of Tasman



A reprint of "Aporo: A Taste of Tasman" means a limited number of this history of Tasman are again available.

They can be purchased from Paper Plus in Richmond, Page and Blackmore in Nelson, Take Note in Motueka or from the author, [dee.kay.mackay@ts.co.nz](mailto:dee.kay.mackay@ts.co.nz)

## Baigent Domain, Kina Peninsula



The current position of Baigent Domain is in limbo. At this point the mediation process between TDC, Carter Holt Harvey and other 274 parties resulted in CHH rejecting a compromise offered to them by TDC, so the case will go to the Environment Court with a date to set in the future. TACA is unable to be part of this process, so we must sit on the sidelines at this point. However after a couple of discussions with council Staff and the newly appointed CEO, we may have the ability to have our say.

We will keep you all posted on further developments as they come to hand. Here's hoping we have a resolution before the end of the year, so we can enjoy the summer at the beach like we always have.

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The Tasman Area Community Association  
cordially invites its community

from the Bluffs to Mariri

**to its Annual General Meeting  
on Wednesday 25 July at 7.30pm**

at the Tasman Multi-purpose Hall, Tasman School

Guest Speaker:

**FIONA NEWHEY**  
Executive Officer  
Nelson Tasman Cycle Trails Trust



Topics:

1. How we in Tasman can benefit from the Great Taste Trail as it passes through the Ruby Coast.
2. How you as a tourism business can participate in the Great Taste Trail.

Also updates on what's happening in Tasman & Kina

AND

Election of your new committee

**Come along and hear about  
issues that are important to you**

## Jester House - Tasman's best café since 1991

### Jester House Kids Club

As part of being New Zealand's most child friendly café, we have just launched the Jester House Kids Club. The club offers fun activity

afternoons at Jester House on the first Saturday of each month as well as other V.I.P days and other benefits from being a passport holder.

The launch day was on 9th June and based on Arbor Day with the kids all getting to pot up tree seedlings to take home. The next is 7th July with



the theme of Circus skills and making poi. To join either come to the café and fill in a form and pick up your passport or go to our website [www.jesterhouse.co.nz/kidsclub](http://www.jesterhouse.co.nz/kidsclub).

The club is open to all children between 5 and 12. There is no cost to join and most activities will be free. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Also to keep the kids happy we have just built a new play house or as we call it, "Whare hiahia, the house of dreams".

We have just finished another successful season of dinner and movie nights, as



we do every winter. The last movie was the hilarious Spike Milligan movie, "The Bed Sitting Room". If you haven't heard about these before, they are only advertised through our database, so to join up, go to [www.jesterhouse.co.nz/joinus](http://www.jesterhouse.co.nz/joinus).

Jester House is still open with our winter hours, Thursday to Sunday 9.00 until 4.30, through until Sunday 15th July. Jester House will be closed for our annual winter holiday from Monday 16th July until Thursday 6th September.

Coming up when we reopen in September is the annual "Whakanuia o te tuna" (Festival of the Eels) when we welcome the eels back from their winter hibernation. This year it is on the weekend of 15th and 16th and we will be displaying the Velvet Tuna, a 70 metre appliqué eel that travels around schools and festivals celebrating te tuna, the eel.

We look forward to serving you soon,

Steve and Judy Richards  
320 Aporo Road, Tasman.  
Tel: 526 6742  
Email: [lunch@jesterhouse.co.nz](mailto:lunch@jesterhouse.co.nz)

### Tasman Tidy-up

The Community Service Supervisor is continuing to fit us into his work plans despite many requests for service in other areas.



Children's playground before and after



A few months ago TACA purchased some new palings for the children's playground and material for two gates which has been successfully completed. The work achieved over the last few months has been the difficult task of clearing the overgrowth of honeysuckle on road reserve, by the Packhouse. Next was the clearing of weeds, rubbish and again, honeysuckle from the area opposite the Dicker Road junction with Aporo Rd.

The current project is in the Domain, clearing back low branches and debris to enable the Contractor to mow right to the boundary.

Also the clearing of weeds and gorse from the edges of the drainage ditch and boundary at the south end of the Tasman Domain is in hand. This is to make the area more attractive for the future planting of trees, the other side of the small culvert. Once the Domain ditch is completed, there may be a opportunity for further projects (together with on-going maintenance), so any suggestions from the Community would be welcomed.

## **Tasman School Centennial**

Yes, it's been a 100 years and there is plenty planned. It will be held on the 15-17th of March 2013. It will be a weekend to remember, so all those who are interested are to contact the Tasman School office on (03) 526 6818 to register. We encourage you all to spread the word to family and friends who may wish to attend.

## **Tasman School Update**

Warm inside and warm outside!

With mid-winter upon us we are very grateful that the classrooms at Tasman School have wood burners blazing. The caretaker piles the wood in the classrooms and the first students help the teachers set the fire, and by 9.30 we have a warm start. The windows are open by lunchtime as another clear frosty day thaws out. So we are warm inside.

Outside, we soon warm up here too- as we practise crosscountry running most days, doing the 1km circuit around the school, (some students do 4-5 circuits!) or rolling on the gym mats ready for the gymnastics event, and even lunchtime netball and miniball practice. Our school is never inactive!

We are very pleased about the government's decision to reverse the proposed ratio of teacher to student (1-27) as we are a small 4 teacher country school and time for the quality personalised teaching we are known for, would have suffered.



**Lily, Olivia, Ogun, and Cody ready for for the Motueka Library Quiz.**

Tasman School recently entered two teams in the Motueka Library Quiz with 16 other schools, and enjoyed winning third overall placing with one group and the prize for best dressed team... 'The 39 clues', with the other. This was a great finale to our "Mad about Books" week full of fun and learning. We have great book detectives at our school.

Rooms 3 & 4, the senior classes have began practicing the songs for the performance 'Rock da House' which will see 10 local and Motueka primary schools singing together in a mass choir in late August. The 14 songs have two parts and have been chosen and directed by John Phillips from Garin College. They are contemporary songs so have instant student appeal. This is a great addition to the instrumental, band and classroom music opportunities that Tasman has become renowned for.

We look forward to the myriad of activity leading to the end of term with enthusiasm and some sadness, as we prepare to farewell one of our teachers, Sue Shand, and her children Bella, Lochy and Albie. Sue has been teaching the senior class at Tasman for almost 5 years. Sue is an inspirational teacher who will be sorely missed by the whole community. We wish her, Paul and her family well in their adventures in Malaysia.

## Ruby Coast Walkways & Cycleways

### Dicker Ridge Track

It seems that the track is being well used by locals and visitors alike and since it is a loop, can be walked or cycled in either direction. We are also investigating doing some further work on "smoothing out" a short section of the track, where it comes off Dicker Rd on its way back down to Williams Rd to make it easier for walkers & cyclists. We also plan to look at planting out that section to screen it from the neighbour's house and to assist with erosion protection.



### Other Trails

We are also in the process of investigating another exciting loop which will pass via Kina Beach using the Dee Ridge Track and hope to report a good outcome at our AGM at the end of July.

## Coastal Initiative Group (CIG)

### Interpretative Signs

Design and artwork are in process for the second interpretative sign at Mapua Wharf which, with the generous financial support of the Historic Places Trust will tell the story of the wharf and surrounds. CIG has also gained outside funding for a third interpretative sign, destined to be located in the Ruby Bay area.



### Gateway Sculpture Project

After some delay in getting the engineering for the project complete to proceed to the consents, the process is now back on track. Once quantity surveying is completed, it is hoped that by the end of July the fundraising campaign can begin and the schools on the Ruby Coast can become involved in the design of the various themes carried by the sculptures.



Book your appointment now at:  
**Greenwood Active Health**  
25 Greenwood St  
Motueka  
Tel: 528 6239

## Tasman Bay Christian School

### Spring Fling 2012

Our biannual Spring Fling is happening towards the end of next term - on **Saturday 22nd September** from 10am to 3pm

We would like to invite people from our local community to purchase trade stalls for \$25 for the day. Please call the school office on 5266855 if you are interested. (Sorry no food or drink stalls please)

Plan to come for a fun, family day out. We will have loads of entertainment, yummy food and stalls selling all manner of treasures! Write it on your calendar now and we will see you there!



## TASMAN BIBLE CHURCH

Part of the Tasman Community for over 50 years.



**mainly  
music**

Mainly Music is run every Wednesday 10am term time, aimed at pre-schoolers and their Whanau.

**EVERY BOYS RALLY**  
Wednesday 6.45pm - 8.15pm during the school term. A bus service is provided for pick up and drop off's. This is a boys club running from ages 8-13yrs.



4G Youth Group runs every Tuesday 6.45pm - 8.15pm. Aimed at secondary School aged Youth. Youth can catch a ride by contacting Danial 027 675 5889.



J.A.M. stands for Jesus and Me. This is a programme run during our Sunday morning Church service aimed at teaching children from 0 - 13yrs about God and his amazing love for us.

Church service runs every Sunday morning at 10am. All welcome. For more information contact the Church office on 526 6836. [www.tasmanbiblechurch.org.nz](http://www.tasmanbiblechurch.org.nz)



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**Open: 8am-12pm and 3pm to 6pm**  
**Monday to Friday**

### **Vet's Voice - Sleepy sickness**

This is a common disease of sheep at this time of the year and, it's not caused by a hard Saturday night out, but rather by a lack of energy intake in late pregnant ewes. Those readers who have experienced pregnancy can probably empathise with the many thousands of pregnant sheep out there who are so full of baby that they just do not feel like eating. In sheep, bad weather or lack of feed can compound this problem leading the ewe to become wobbly, followed by recumbency and then death.

Fortunately there is a lot we can do to prevent and treat this problem. It is very important at this time of the year to ensure that pregnant ewes have got adequate feed available. If grass is in short supply then good quality hay, baylage or sheep nuts are useful. In ewes that are showing symptoms of sleepy sickness it is important to treat it early and aggressively. Energy is the key factor here and glucose precursors such as glycerol or propylene glycol can be dosed orally. Glucalpos injections are also useful as often sleepy sickness is hard to differentiate from hypocalcaemia and the glucose in this preparation is easily absorbed. Oral rehydration with electrolyte solutions is also useful.

As many of our clients are small block holders, we stock many products such as glucalpos and electrolytes in small pack sizes to keep costs down. We also dispense drenches and 5 ml vaccines in small lots, so if you only have a few sheep you are not wasting money throwing out unused product. Come and talk to us at our Mapua or Motueka clinics for advice anytime.

**Article kindly provided by Tasman Bay Vets.**

**[www.tasmancommunity.org.nz](http://www.tasmancommunity.org.nz)**

# **PILATES**

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### **Long Term Plan 2012 – 2022**

The saga of the draft Long Term Plan has been well published in the Press and needs little re-iteration here. Suffice it to say that we were pleased that our submission, along with many others, has resulted in a change of heart by TDC on the funding of the Great Taste Cycle Trail. Significant local economic opportunities are available from this project for those prepared to take the plunge.

Not so satisfying was the realisation that due to the delay of the Coastal Pipeline from Motueka our anticipated local drinking water reticulation system is a far away as it has ever been. Time for a “re-think”?

## Anzac Day Remembrance Service



Following the trend in the rest of the country, the attendance at our local service continues to grow with some 120 to 150 in the congregation which included a significant number of children who were both well behaved and respectful.

The service, as usual, was led by the Rev Peter Bean and the address given by Bernard Redshaw, resplendent in his Army uniform. Some 100 plus took advantage of the tea and buns provided by TACA after the service, as well as a chance to catch up with friends and neighbours.

## Tasman Area Community Association (TACA)

Support your Association to continue their work. TACA was set up in 1989 with the purpose of "Protecting and enhancing the well-being of the residents and the natural resources of this area".

These people have the best interests of the community at heart and meet on a regular basis to discuss local issues and arrange community events.

Everyone is welcome to attend any meeting.

### The "Who's Who" in 2012 at TACA

Hamish Rush	Chairperson	526 6125
Tony Pearson	Secretary	526 6076
Ewen Griffiths	Treasurer	526 6169
Steve Richards		526 6742
Colin Rush		526 6716
David Short		526 6877
Tracey Evans		526 6802
Roger Percivall		526 6230

**Next Tasman Community Association meeting:**

**Annual General Meeting  
Tasman Multi-purpose Hall  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2012 @ 7.30pm**

## Membership 2012/13

The association is a voluntary group, which relies on annual membership subscriptions, sponsorship and grant applications to carry out the work they do.

Membership on a local level is \$5.00 per family or \$2.00 an individual. If you would like to contribute to our work then please complete the section below and post it to Ewen Griffiths, 82 Brooks View Heights, RD1, Upper Moutere 7173 or drop it with your donation to the Tasman Store. Subs for 2012/13 are now due.

Name.....

Address.....

Phone.....

Email.....

Amount enclosed \$.....

Receipt needed (circle) Yes No

For direct credit online, please pay to Tasman Area Community Assoc., Westpac, Motueka Branch Account No. **03 0693 0141622 00** and include your name and initials as per the sample bank statement box below.

### Statement Details

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