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Tasman Times

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Welcome to our summer newsletter, updating you on all of the local issues and happenings.

Thanks to Tasman District Council for their help in the production of our community newsletter.

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From The Chair

Tena koutou katoua.
The Tasman Area Community
Association (TACA) does great work
coordinating community events, liaising
with Council on Reserves, Roading, Planning and many
other issues. It's the key to funding applications for
your great community ideas.

We have the ear of Council and regularly get Councillors and occasionally the Mayor to our monthly meetings. This is where democracy starts. We recently had a meeting with Police, Fire and Emergency, the Security firm that monitors L.E.H. Baigent Reserve and TACA members to try and find a solution to the antisocial behaviour down at the reserve particularly regarding fires on the beach. This has been identified as a real hazard and has the possibility of leading to substantial loss of property and even lives.

To this end TACA are proposing a meeting for any residents of the Peninsula with FENZ to formulate an emergency plan in event of fire, including escape plans. Watch this space. This is the sort of important mahi the association undertakes. Other projects we've undertaken in the last 6 months include the annual big beach clean-ups.

This year we managed, over two Saturdays, to clear all the rubbish off the coast from McKee Reserve all the way to Motueka. This is over 50 km of coastline and estuary edge.

Unfortunately due to the restrictions of COVID19 the Christmas in the Domain will not be held this year but a community picnic is planned for early in 2022 at L.E.H. Baigent Reserve. Watch out for more information and a date once we are clearer about how we can proceed safely.

I'm currently 6 months through the one year I said I would do as Chair of the Association. I feel it is important we don't just recycle the old blood of the committee but get new and interested faces around the table. If you want Tasman to be more vibrant and the community more connected, please join the association and make Tasman the place you want it to be.

Ngā mihi, Steve Richards, Chair

Admin Stuff from the Secretary

We have had very good attendance at TACA meetings and well supported by local Councillors. Thank you. Mayor Tim King has also provided periodic updates on the myriad of issues that flow on to affect our local community, especially around infrastructure and future development planning. These matters look set to ramp up in the coming year.

We have been treated to a range of interesting speakers and also enjoy close affiliation with the Mapua & Districts Community Association with Marion Satherley and Paul McIntosh in regular attendance. This affiliation allows for some synergies around how to approach matters arising for our close neighbours and in turn we can contribute and gain from research being undertaken by the MDCA with regards to making our region more attractive and liveable.

Annual General Meeting

The AGM was held upstairs in the Tasman Church on 29 July 2021 attended by 16 people, including committee members, TDC Mayor Tim King, CEO Janine Dowding and Councillors as well as some local residents.

The election of officers resulted in Steve Richards becoming Chairperson, Greg Dryden as Treasurer and Greig Caigou as Secretary. Committee Members are Roger Percivall, Richard Clement, Paula Short, Jon Taylor, Michael Markert, David Short and Tony Clark

Mayor Tim King presented a certificate of appreciation for the 5 years of dedicated service from David Short as the retiring Chair.

Greig Caigou



Local Reserves Tasman Reserve

There has been very little happening with the reserve over the last 6 months but hopefully that will change in 2022.

TDC has recently undertaken a revue of the management of all its reserves in the Waimea/ Moutere ward.

There has been an opportunity to submit on the proposed changes and TACA has taken this chance to propose some enhancement to the Tasman Reserve including more planting of open orchard and continuing the coastal native planting while ensuring that all the current reserve uses are catered for too. For anyone who wants to have input into the new management plan, please contact Steve Richards jesterhousesteve@gmail.com.

Kina Beach Reserve & Campsite

The campground continues to be well managed by resident caretaker Jenny and she has been rewarded with a new 2 year contract from TDC. The reserve has also been kept neat and tidy by TDC's maintenance contractor.

A steady stream of travellers, often repeat visitors, used the campground throughout winter and spring. During the last lockdown the site was closed but some occupants elected to stay in self-isolation. They generously assisted Jenny with maintenance and some planned improvements. This was a positive outcome for when the campground was able to first open to reduced numbers and then normal occupancy as restrictions eased.

A lack of visitors from overseas and Auckland, plus our unusually wet winter has certainly resulted in lower occupancy than previous years but there's been a notable increase in Kiwi travellers.

Vehicles have occasionally disturbed the peace in the reserve late at night but no serious incidents have occurred. Nearby residents are encouraged to notify TACA committee members if unsociable activities occur. This applies to anywhere from the McKee Bluff to Mariri.

Mill Point Site Recovery Project Kina Beach Road

My predictions of a spring opening of the site have turned out to be a bit optimistic but we are not far away! The new fence and pedestrian "kissing gate" have been installed by John Noakes – thank you, John, for a great job and your "special" price. TACA helped us out when Chorus decided to extract a charge for telling us where the buried telephone lines were – as it turned out, well away from the

replacement fence line but at least we didn't run the risk of upsetting a lot of Kina residents.
To "finish off" the opening of the site, TACA applied to TDC for – AND GOT –



funds to enable us to put up a sign showing the layout of the site and its location in the local environs, in particular nearby toilet facilities – we will be working on this in the coming weeks with a local design company and sign manufacturer.

TDC will also be asked to supply us with standard signage to deter overnight camping and encourage dog owners to tidy up after their "walkies".

The surrounds of the car park have been planted up with a goodly number of donated plants – thanks David and Russell for the gift and help in bedding them in. In addition to his grand "Shave for a Cure" funding raising effort, Thomas proved to be an accomplished culvert digger extending the entrance culvert and installing a new one to drain a boggy area of the site. Thanks Thomas – your hair will grow back I'm sure!

Mike's chipper has once again been put to good use clearing up a lot of dead and dying early tree and bush plantings and providing good mulch cover for the new plantings.

Efforts will now be focused on clearing the overgrowth over the paths and walkways, keeping the grass in check and completing the mussel shell covering on the remaining tracks, so if you have a decent barrow and can spare a couple of hours shifting the stuff, do let me know – your help will be much appreciated.

Our rat and stoat traps are tended regularly by David and whilst our catch rate is low, I am inclined to think this is a good sign and this is supported by the increasing bird and skink life evident on the site.

So a little more patience please Tasman residents and we will do our best to get the work – and appropriate approvals from TDC to open the site for general use in the next couple of months.

Thanks to all my team of loyal

Thanks to all my team of loyal helpers. It really is a pleasure working with you and seeing

the fruits of our labour come together. Have a happy and safe Christmas season.



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Jester House News

Celebration time, come on! We're gonna celebrate good times.



November 20th marked 30 years since Jester House first opened way back in 1991. How different Tasman was then. The main road ran through the middle of the village and there were no cafés anywhere. Then along



came the Jester House, challenging you to think what really matters and not to make judgements. It was a totally unique hospitality experience.

This is one of the major reasons we started the business and certainly one of the factors we considered when changing last year. We wanted to get back to the personal, the unique. To offering real hospitality with a good seasoning of humour that had been our driving force at the beginning. Of course, serving up great food goes without saying. This is what we do and hope to continue to do into the future. We hope you enjoy it.

What is it that we do?

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- There's our delicious lunch menu that's different every week.
- We have fresh muffins and the Pasteis de nata take you straight to the streets of Porto.
- ♦ And then there's dinner...Dean creates a different 4 course set menu masterpiece every week. Bookings are essential. Just call on 03 526 6742 or email



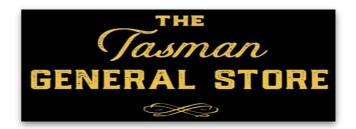
office@jesterhouse.co.nz

◆ And there's still the tame eels to feed in the creek.

Like all committed funnists we need time to enjoy the pleasures of life and avoid the crowds, so the café will be closed for Christmas and New Year from 18th December until 27 January.

We hope you all enjoy a pleasant and safe festive period and look forward to seeing you all again in 2022.

Steve, Jude and the team



A year and a half on into the Covid pandemic, we are well pleased with the patronage that continues to build with great support from locals, biking groups and tradies during the weekdays.

Tasman Store plans to continue to provide products and services to the wider community, whilst adhering to the imminent government Covid-19 mandates. So watch this space......



A reminder of our summer opening hours. Note particularly our reduced weekend hours:

Weekday hours: Saturday only: Sunday 7.30am – 5pm 9am – 4pm Closed

Remember we are always closed for public holidays.

A popular item is still the gluten-free curried vege pizza as well as Louie's extra tasty vegan pie. A variety of salads will be offered too over the summer. Then there's always a great selection of yummy slices in the cabinet, as well as the great local pies and store-made sausage rolls.



Lance continues to roast his award-winning beans & ground coffee and still holds the same philosophy: make it right, make it fresh, make it well!



Oaklands milk is still delivered Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, normally by mid morning.

Hope you all have a great summer and have the opportunity to have a break or welcome friends or family you not have seen for some time.

Lance Draper www.facebook.com/thegrindcoffeeroasters



Vet's Voice

Heat Stroke in Dogs

With summer on the way and temperatures on the increase, it's important to consider the effects on our four-legged



friends. Heat stroke or hyperthermia is a stressful and potentially life threatening complication from high temperatures. Signs of heat stroke include rapid respiration rate/panting, lethargy, wobbliness and in extreme cases, seizures. It most commonly occurs when dogs are left inside cars on a hot day, where, with inadequate ventilation, the temperature can spike rapidly within a matter of minutes. Pets can also be at risk when taking part in high energy activities such as ball games and long runs in the heat of the day. Dogs are unable to sweat, so their primary method of heat reduction is panting. As such, extra care must be taken with brachiocephalic (short-nosed) breeds and dogs that are muzzled to make sure the muzzle allows room for the dog to pant with its mouth wide open. Working dogs also need to be monitored carefully when working in the summer heat. Try keeping working dogs wet down, provide regular access to fresh water and make sure resting spaces are cool. Kennels should be in a shaded spot, especially if metallic, and dogs should not be left tied to the back of a ute in full sun.

If you suspect your dog has heat stroke, drape them in cool wet towels or pour cool (not ice cold) water over the body, and ring your vet. Prognosis is fair to good depending on the length of time the animal has been hyperthermic for and to what extent. Dogs that have experienced heat stroke in the past

may be at additional risk in future as their thermoregulation centre has been damaged. So lets keep our pets cool and comfortable this summer!





Moutere catchment group update

Restoring the Moutere - plant requests for 2022 are now open!

The Moutere catchment group is now three years old. It started off with a spark of an idea from one landowner who then gathered 10 landowners, swelling it to 100 by their first official meeting and now has 200 landowners working together to plant, restore and protect the Moutere Catchment, which is defined by the land, streams and tributaries that drain into the Moutere Inlet including Kina and Tasman. We want further engagement, so please talk to your neighbours and help spread the word.

Landowner engagement has been driving the success of this project. With the help of Tasman Environmental Trust (TET), Tasman District Council and NZ Landcare Trust.

The Moutere Catchment Group secured funding from MPI (One Billion Trees) to plant 270,000 plants

over 3 years (158,000 plants and guards and stakes have been funded and planted to date).

Requests to receive native plants, plant guards and stakes to be planted in the Moutere catchment between May and September 2022 are now open, so put your request in here....



Plant request for 2022 survey link

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Moutere2022

Any queries please contact Elliot Easton – ellioteaston@tet.org.nz



2021 Planting Report

2021 was a very a successful planting year, despite some weather and Covid challenges. We have seen excellent community engagement and enthusiasm for planting. A wet winter created some challenges while also providing great "watering in" opportunities for plants. The spring continues with regular rainfall events providing excellent early season growing conditions.

What an awesome community effort by 132 Moutere Catchment landowners in 2021 to get 156,601 native plants planted with the support of their families, friends, and communities. 137,222 native plants (with guards/stakes) were funded and provided free of charge to landowners. Of the 132 landowners who received funded plants 79 have reported purchasing an additional 19,379 plants toward the outcome of the project. Not to mention the many people planting who are not engaged with "Restoring the Moutere" project, the scale of the plantings going into the ground in our catchment is truly inspiring.

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As we continue to roll with the changing tides here at Whenua Iti Outdoors, we are just astounded by the continued support of our community & funders to enable us to adapt to the needs of schools throughout the year.



Holiday Programmes Popular for Summer

Whenua Iti are running a variety of holiday programmes for 7-18yr olds this summer, with places filling up very fast. All of our holiday programmes are run by the same experienced instructors who deliver our school programmes & focus on individual growth through fun outdoor challenges and opportunities to connect with nature. Enrol via our website: www.wio.org.nz. Ngā mihi nui Rātā Foundation, Māpua Ruby Bay Community Trust, McKee Charitable Trust, DOC, TDC & Lottery Community Fund.

WIO turns 35 years young

We are excited to see the return of Hazel Nash, the founder of Whenua Iti Outdoors, to our region just in time for our birthday celebrations! We found the very first programme flyer when sorting through old photographs which said the Trust "is interested in providing opportunities for the





social, emotional, physical, intellectual and spiritual growth of people." It is wonderful that 35 years on, the original kaupapa of the organisation still holds true. We are looking forward to celebrating more with the community in the coming year!

Adventure Therapy in the Outdoors

One of the great benefits of spending time in the outdoors, immersed in nature, is the mental wellbeing boost you get. The Whaikaha Programmes that focus on finding inner strength on a 9-day wilderness journey were featured in the latest Wilderness Magazine. It's an inspiring read if you have a few minutes - https:// www.wildernessmag.co.nz/camp-therapy/

Noho ora mai rā,

Thanks to everyone for their continued support & we look forward to seeing you out there!

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RUBY COAST NEWCOMERS SOCIAL GROUP

WHAT IS IT? Easy way for Tasman and Mapua Newcomers to socialise, make friends and learn about the area from other "recent" residents.

WHERE? Tasman Store, occasionally elsewhere.

WHEN? The last Friday of each month from 10am until about 12. An email reminder is sent each month. No obligation to attend! Just come along as often as suits you.

Also occasional ad hoc "bring-a-plate" social events.

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You will have noticed some changes to the building on the corner of Williams and Aporo Roads. The changing face of the Tasman community has somewhat led to a changed face to that building!



The changing face of the local community church landmark

Along with some upgrades to the interior workings this solid old facility has been made more contemporary and serviceable as a community space that suits a range of groups and uses.

The origins of this building really started in 1932 when a small group of friends gathered in a house owned by the Paynter family at their orchard on Hortons Road and started a fellowship that began the history of the Church in Tasman. The Tasman Gospel Hall was then built in Tasman in 1953 on the corner site and many years later changed its identity somewhat when it became the Tasman Bible Church. Other alterations occurred later with a new entrance to a larger main meeting room and the repurposing of the older area as a hall.

However the purposes of the fellowship have remained largely unchanged over the years with the goal to be a vibrant community of Christians that serve this area with a range of community programmes and shared facilities that meet needs in a growing community.

Many readers of this Tasman Times will be familiar with some of the community services running from the building by the church members. Mainly Music for example has run for over 20 years now, serving local young families with a morning activity for preschoolers.

One new programme that has been a recent highlight is the Activ8 Adventure Club which runs every Friday afternoon from 4-6pm. This programme provides local tamariki access to skilled outdoor instructors for adventuring in our local area. Local reserves and beaches have been used along with farmers' properties. The programme so far has included outdoor skills like camping, rogaines, MTBiking challenges and finishes off this term with an overnight camp and multi-sport endeavour centred around McKee Reserve.



Tamariki from the Tasman Activ8 Adventure Club learn some map reading skills from local adventurer Rod Harrhy.

The Tasman Community Trust

received funding for this programme from Sport Tasman as we wanted to encourage children into active recreation, we wanted to stay as local as possible and demonstrate to parents that healthy ventures can be had right here in our area... without driving into 'town'.

A growing community has also seen the need for local meeting spaces and facilities for things like school fundraisers, pop-up community consultations, craft groups etc. and so the rooms upstairs of the Church building have also been kitted out with a seminar and boardroom. We'd encourage your group or local club to come take a look at how the space might work for you. The aim is to be fit for multipurposes... continuing to breathe new life into an established local landmark.

Church gatherings too aim to suit many styles, where families with young children, youth and older folk all mix in well with a multi-generational, multi-cultural fellowship. Feedback is that people appreciate the real family-feel to these gatherings.

I'm finding that newcomers to the area want to engage with local businesses and identities and want to quickly fit in with our lifestyles. With our rich and longstanding history here we trust Tasman Church will continue to meet needs and serve this community well.

So may you and your whanau understand even more of a sense of community this Christmas, and may peace and goodwill towards all settle in your soul and spirit at this time.

Arohanui and God bless Pastor Greig



L.E.H. Baigent Reserve, Kina Peninsula



Although hooning, littering, bush bashing, vandalism and fire raising occurred in the past 6 months, events reduced markedly compared with the previous 2 years. With longer nights and fewer users winter and early spring is when most problems occur. Camera surveillance, followed up

by warnings and fines, have been the major factors in reducing unwanted activities.



Other measures also helped. Several Tasman/ Kina residents proactively raised matters of concern and action was quickly taken to either prevent misbehaviour or follow up with camera evidence. We need more residents to contact TACA if they are aware of hooning, littering, vandalism, freedom camping or bush-bashing etc. If possible, please try to report a vehicle rego or at least vehicle type and colour. But don't confront anyone. Call Richard Clement on 027 526 6700, and if you don't reach me please call any committee member.

Temporary fencing (generously supplied by a Mariri resident) has again been placed around the open area where most hooning damage had previously occurred. This has deterred damage and we plan to ensure fencing will be in place in future whenever necessary.

The coming season is when fires present greatly increased risk to property, people and the environment. If you see a fire anywhere on public land on the Kina Peninsula call 111. No fires are allowed except by permit on private land. There is clear signage at the beginning of Kina Beach Road and the end of Kina Peninsula Road. Anyone caught fire-raising illegally will be subject to some form of penalty.

In August a large group broke down barriers, drove through bush and onto the nesting area

where they burned pallets, resulting in litter and 100s of rusty nails. The activity was picked up by surveillance, regos were noted and the group moved on. But the next morning pallets and other rubbish that hadn't been burned was found dumped. The main fire was



still smouldering and embers had even been placed in vegetation close to trees. Appropriate action was therefore taken, especially as they are repeat offenders across Tasman district, not just at Kina.



A meeting to address issues highlighted by surveillance and this group was therefore recently convened. TACA reps were joined by TDC, a security company, and senior members of the Fire Service and Police. The purpose was to establish consensus on how the respective organisations deal with illegal or unsocial activities according to their severity. Further measures to prevent or deter misbehaviour were also discussed. A smartgate has been considered but there are reasons for not proceeding at this time. One is that a locked gate denies access for boaties & fishers to make best use of the tide. This is against the principle of the reserve being open for all responsible use. We don't want to prevent genuine users



accessing the area just because a few irresponsible people think they can do what they want regardless of laws etc.

4WD bush bashing onto the nesting area has again occurred, but this activity has certainly declined. TDC will



install more bollards or rocks to block such points as well as the area beyond the boatshed where drug activity and littering has been a regular issue.

In early November David Easton organised a working bee at the Reserve. The following quotes his thank you message to those who volunteered their time:- "Some of you may remember 8 years ago when we started this restoration project and you couldn't see any trees other than the Sydney Golden Wattle and Tree Lucernes. Gorse and broom was everywhere. We are making a difference. Those species will dominate everything if left alone." Further working bees are therefore planned to suppress weeds and we will work with TDC on projects to enhance the area.

Despite the colder and wetter seasons the newly installed complimentary BBQ has seen increased usage. We hope to see lots more during the summer. TACA will host a family-oriented community Picnic Day at the reserve to promote the area. This was planned for January 2022 but now delayed due to risks under Covid-19 Delta circumstances.

Finally, TACA alone cannot put a stop to wilful damage. We need the eyes and will of the community to take action when anti-social activity is noted. Please help us to preserve the LEH Baigent Reserve and other public areas for the benefit of all responsible users. Thank You!



You should have received the latest Kina Bird Song newsletter via email. It was sent to all on the TACA mailing list, https://bit.ly/3kyobFS

You may have been hearing the incessant call of the Kingfisher (Kōtare) on sunny days. Some describe the call as a ke-ke-ke sound which is repeated over and over. The call may be close by but you may not see the bird. But look up, the bird can be seen in plain sight perched on a branch high up in a tree. Kingfisher nest close to ground in banks or in rotten trees. This makes their nests vulnerable to attack from predators and why predator control is so important for the Kingfisher to flourish.

We encourage everyone to get on board with predator control. All our results are recorded on the trap.nz website. This not only helps us to be kept informed to make the right decisions locally but the national data builds a picture for the Predator Free NZ programme. DOC and other major trapping groups are transferring over to the TrapNZ app and database. We can help you in learning how to use the app. Just make contact.

Local nesting is now in full swing; some birds already have hatchlings. Banded Dotterel chicks are out and about now. As always we implore people to be aware of this when walking on the beaches with or without dogs. Another way to help, before you prune that shrub or tree in the garden just look to see if there is a nest in there. If so, the pruning can wait. Piwakawaka (fantail) nests are very small and are easily missed. These insect hungry little birds make a huge difference to keeping spiders and insects under control around the house.

Kina Bird Song are indebted to our growing number of volunteers, trappers and donors whose efforts are making a difference. If you would like a trap, to help or donate please contact us.

Together we are making a difference.

Kingfisher spied in the morning sun high up in a tree on the Kina Coast.

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- Linda Thurow, Kina Peninsula
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- David Easton, Mariri <u>david@eastonapples.co.nz</u> 021314902 Project Coordinator





At the end of this year we farewell Jude Aikenhead as a long serving member of the teaching staff. Jude has been our new entrant teacher for over twenty years and she also held the role of Deputy Principal for a period of this time. Many of our local community will fondly remember Jude's contribution to their child's learning and in some cases we have situations in which a parent and their child have both been taught by Jude. We wish Jude all the very best as she moves to a schedule with plenty of recreation time.

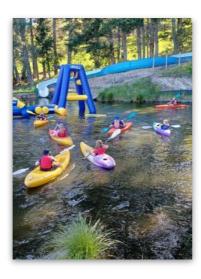
With Jude's retirement we have been able to secure Ally Nicholls and Hayden Squance as permanent members of the teaching team. We will also farewell Carolyn Bedford-Green who has been a teacher aide at Tasman School for over seven years. Carolyn will be missed by students for her knowledge of special education and inclusivity.

Unfortunately COVID-19 has disrupted a number of the inter school events that Tasman School participates in.

- In Term 3 we were fortunate enough to hold our annual trip to Rainbow Ski area.
- During Week 2 our Year 7/8 students

participated in Waka Ama at Kaiteriteri. This opportunity has been sponsored by Sport Tasman for local schools.

• At the beginning of this term we needed to cancel our Year 6/7/8 Wellington Camp after already rescheduling this. Our students enjoyed a more local experience at Bridge Valley outside of Wakefield during Week 3. This still proved to be a popular experience for our students.



- Our Year 4/5 students attended a three day camp at Bridge Valley during Week 4 and our Year 3 students visited for a day trip.
- The Moutere Hills Athletics Day has had both days cancelled and the specialist events took place on Friday 26th November.

We have been well supported by Whenua Iti Outdoors through a range of activities and we appreciate the efforts they go to, to secure funding for learning in the outdoors for the students in our region. Whenua Iti has supported Tasman School for these activities during 2020:

- Year o 4 Mini Adventurers and Mini Explorers two day programme
- Year 8 two day leadership programme

We look forward to the arrival of our new classroom block that will hold two classrooms. This has been constructed and is currently stored in an airport hangar at Nelson Airport. When consent is issued by the Tasman District Council, we'll see this move on to the school site - hopefully in time for the start of Term 1.

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Tasman Bay Christian Schoo



Update on Te Mamaku Drive Native Corridor Project



Over the past six months we are pleased to advise that we are making slow but sure progress on our ambitious new project to plant the eastern side of Te Mamaku Drive (otherwise known as the Ruby Bay Bypass) from Mapua to Tasman:

- We have identified the landowners, a mix of private landowners with some indicating to be supportive to the project but mainly TDC and crown land administered by NZTA. Talks are continuing.
- One private owner has already cleared and planted a smaller block which would be the perfect example of what we are aiming for.
- A long stretch has been cleared recently by a private landowner (they are aware of our plan but the future planting/development is not known/decided yet). We have talked and corresponded with them.
- Some parts would require clear felling of pines and wattles, some parts would be fine with inter seeding natives between gorse.

If you own land in this area or are interested in being involved in this project, please contact Michael Makert at michamarkertnz@gmail.com to get more detailed information.

New Tasman/Ruby Bay walkway idea

For those of you interested in a good long walk (about 7.5km), you may like to try the Tasman-McKee-Ruby Bay circuit.



- Starting at the carpark along Deck Rd in Tasman Bay Estates, take the new walkway in the subdivision down to the beach, then walk along the beach at anytime other than high tide.
- Walk to the end of McKee Reserve, then cross Stafford Drive & enter the Pine Hill Reserve.
 Walk through the reserve up to Brabant Drive.
- Walk south along Brabant Drive until you come to the small walkway that links to Pine Hill Rd. A short walk north takes you to the Great Taste Trail.
- Continue along the Trail to where it meets
 Pippin Lane, then on to Pomona Rd &
 Marriages Rd and finally to Aporo Rd and to
 the Deck Rd Carpark.

Artists of Tasman

We continue to feature our new column in this newsletter to promote the artists that work in Tasman/Kina and trust that you and your visitors from around the country might pay them a visit.

Sue Newitt

Sue's work is primarily wheel thrown tableware, vases and larger decorative bowls. She is mainly



interested in high fired stoneware and porcelain using a variety of reduction glazes developed over many years of experimenting.

https://www.suenewittceramics.nz/



Darryl Frost

Frost and Fire Gallery is the home and workspace of Darryl Frost - Nelson Potter. His work is a tactile



and intuitive response to his surroundings, a homage to the interplay of the elements. https://frostandfire.co.nz/

Jane Smith

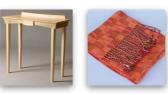
Jane is a water-colour artist, working from her studio gallery in Tasman Village. Her paintings have a gentle humour and



she says her people are "comfortable". She's also influenced by the local landscapes. https://www.janeforart.co.nz/

JointWorks Studio

Tony & Jane's studio is a small shop/ studio with beautiful handcrafted woodworks and weaving done on site. They can also ma



site. They can also make commissioned bespoke pieces especially for you. https://jointworks.co.nz/

Fullmer Gallery

Established in 1985, it is the home and studio of potter, Steve Fullmer. The gallery displays Steve's tableware and sculptural work as well



as contemporary art by New Zealand and international artists.

https://stevefullmer.com/

Kanuka Glen Art by John Jepson

John's art work has a very rustic and real feel to it. It breathes life into old wood and creates a talking point for people who enjoy such things. It



also celebrates New Zealand's native birds in their many guises and characters.

https://www.kanukaglenart.com/

Lauren Kitts

Lauren is a sculpture artist who derives her inspiration from the natural world. You can visit her home-based Hawks Valley Sculpture Gallery.



http://laurenkitts.co.nz/

Tasman Area Community Association

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 & arrange community events.

Everyone is welcome to attend any meeting.

The "Who's Who" in 2021/22 at TACA

| Steve Richards | Chairperson | 022 163 4135 |
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| Greig Caigou | Secretary | 027 434 7567 |
| Greg Dryden | Treasurer | 526 6151 |
| Tony Clark | | 021 064 9343 |
| David Short | | 021 222 5066 |
| Roger Percivall | | 021 076 8673 |
| Paula Short | | 526 6789 |
| Richard Clement | | 526 6707 |
| Jon Taylor | | 027 246 5045 |
| Michael Makert | | 022 389 2240 |

TACA meetings

Last Thursday of every month

(no December meeting)

Tasman Church,

Williams Rd, Tasman

Next meeting:

Thursday 27th January 7.30pm