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TCA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Members are advised TCA's **AGM** will be held on Thursday, August 11 2016 at 7pm at the Tomakin Community Hall (Ainslie Parade).

Some current Committee members have decided to step down and will not be nominating for positions on the 2016/17 Committee. TCA also requires a new newsletter editor for 2016/17. This is a great opportunity for members to become directly involved in community activities, so please consider nominating for a Committee position so TCA can continue its good work for our beautiful village of Tomakin.

Nominations of candidates for election as office-bearers (President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer) or committee members (at least 3 required) at the annual general meeting:

- (a)** may be made in writing, signed by two members of the Association and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate (which may be endorsed on the form of the nomination), and
- (b)** must be delivered to the Secretary of the Association at least two days before the date fixed for the holding of the annual general meeting at which the election is to take place.

If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies, nominated candidates are taken to be elected, and further nominations are to be received at the AGM. A nomination form can be found in this newsletter. Completed forms must be sent to the TCA Secretary Daphne Cole, 112 Sunpatch Parade, Tomakin NSW 2537, or emailed to daphnecole@bigpond.com.

Members are also advised that after the **AGM** there will be a **General Meeting**. Guest speaker is Mark Young, author of Tomakin's first history book 'Tomakin – The Undiscovered History'. Books will be available for sale at the meeting.

Light refreshments will be provided so come along to hear about all the good work TCA has achieved for the year. The more active participants there are in TCA, the more we can achieve! Look forward to seeing you there.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE NOW DUE

The completed form (in this newsletter) and \$5 per member can be left at the Rivermouth General Store, the Tomakin Sports and Social Club, or posted to the TCA Treasurer, 121 Ainslie Parade, Tomakin NSW 2537. Alternatively, renew membership at a TCA meeting.

Membership for 2015/16 was 176, and over 60 renewals have been received so far for 2016/17. Remember the stronger our membership, the more leverage we have dealing with council and government bodies on behalf of the Tomakin community – so please renew!

BOOK LAUNCH

There was a great turnout on 25th June at the launch of Tomakin's first history book 'Tomakin – the Undiscovered History'. The launch commenced with a 'Welcome to Country' from Lillian Nye Connell.

This book would not have happened if it was not for the dedication of the author Mark Young, Janene Love from the Moruya and District Historical Society, Margaret McNally who kindly offered her skills and time to do the typesetting of the book - including the design of the cover and poster, Ted Ling an experienced researcher, and members of the community - Dot Brooks, David Nicholson, Russell Rogers, Dale Evans, Ian and Bev Harrison, Elaine Edwards, Rhonda Doherty, Kathy Jay, and Graham Jackson, for their time in sharing memories, documents, photos and maps on Tomakin's history - your contributions have been invaluable.

Mayor Lindsay Brown provided the Foreword to the book and congratulated the community and the Association for such an outstanding project at the launch.

The Hon Andrew Constance, our local Member for Bega was invited to the launch however was unable to attend. Andrew did however visit the TCA stall at Rally for Recovery on Election Day and congratulated everybody involved for such a great effort.

The Tomakin Community Association administered the project, which included coordination, sourcing funds, and printing. A grant from the NSW Government's Cultural Grants Program, a pre-order from the Walker Corporation (developers of 'Reflections Barlings Beach) and TCA's Committee and members many hours of fund raising funded the project.

The book has generated lots of discussion around Tomakin including very positive feedback. Members of the community are coming forward with more information on Tomakin's history, and TCA is looking at ways to capture this information to share.

You can purchase a copy of the book at the AGM or General Meeting (see details above). Alternatively email: tomakin.news@gmail.com or call 0433 140 127.



Mayor Lindsay Brown and TCA President Debbie Campion



Lillian Nye Connell, Mark Young (Author) and Janene Love (Vice President Moruya and District Historical Society)



Local Member for Bega Andrew Constance, Debbie Campion and Mark Young



Great turnout at the launch of the book

THEIVES BREAK INTO TOMAKIN HOMES

TCA would like to remind property owners in Tomakin to make sure your house, sheds, garages and belongings are secure at all times. This is particularly important for holiday house owners as there have been a couple of break-ins of holiday homes in recent weeks. If you see anything suspicious please call Batemans Bay Police on 4472 0099.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL BUNNINGS BBQ

A BIG thank you to Sandra and Ken, and the team for hosting the most successful TCA Bunnings BBQ yet on 11 June.

Over \$800 profit was raised - a fantastic result. A total of \$1,812 profit has now been raised at these BBQs - well done to all!



TCA HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE

TCA's Facebook page has 264 followers since it was created in April 2014. If you are on Facebook go to TCA's page (or google Tomakin Community Association) and let us know what you think!

Make sure you 'like' the page to keep up-to-date on what's happening in Tomakin.

UPDATE ON TOMAKIN'S LITTORAL RAINFOREST AND REFLECTIONS ESTATE

Weeding activities in the littoral rainforest have continued with Matt Craig from local firm Ecologically Entwined continuing eastward through the creek zone removing foreign species and noxious weeds. At the same time local company Dave Golden Fencing & Landscaping continues to fence the boundary between the residential lots and the rainforest as required by the Vegetation Management Plan.

Reflections Barlings Beach is becoming a pleasant reality for more residents as almost 70 homes are now complete and occupied with more underway. As Stage 6 sells out, developers Walker Corporation are preparing to release Stage 7 in July 2016, offering 15 new lots including six exclusive beachfront sites.

Stage 6 subdivision works for the 8 new lots will commence in July 2016. These works will include earthworks and utilities, and will complete Oceanview Way from the sales office through to the roundabout. Tendering is also underway for completion of the entire main boulevard Oceanview Way.

Tim Solan - Development Manager

DOG ATTACK IN TOMAKIN

Unfortunately TCA reports there was a nasty dog attack at the Tomakin Boat ramp on Monday 20 June 2016. A resident was taken to hospital by ambulance, and the resident's dog was taken to a Moruya vet. Police attended the scene, and local rangers have followed up the incident.

A reminder to all dog owners – you must keep your dog under control in a public areas including the beach. Heavy fines under the Companion Animals Act 1998 apply if you do not comply with these laws!

For further information please refer to Council's website: <http://www.esc.nsw.gov.au/living-in/about/for-pet-owners> or the Companion Animal Act 1998 Section 13: ***Responsibilities while dog in public place*** http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/nsw/consol_act/caa1998174/s13.html

HEART FOUNDATION LOCAL WALKING GROUP

Nina Holland, Allied and Health Promotion Team Leader from Grand Pacific Health (formally Medicare Local), is keen to know if current walking groups in Eurobodalla are meeting your needs and if not whether the community is interested in setting up a new Heart Foundation group in Tomakin.

Existing walking groups include the Bushwalking groups (Batemans Bay and Dalmeny/ Narooma) as well as the Eurobodalla Walking for pleasure group (11am Wednesdays at various locations) in Eurobodalla).

Heart Foundation groups are free and Nina would coordinate the setup of a program in Tomakin program. She is open to times and days that would suit the Tomakin community.

Nina has noticed there is no regular walking group for people caring for young children (could be parents or grandparents) so they could look at offering a 'Pram' walking group.

If you are interested in a walking group in Tomakin please call Nina Holland on 4475 0818 or email: nholland@gph.org.au.

TOMAKIN'S ART ON THE BLOCK UPDATE

TCA is still awaiting advice from Council about upgrades to the amenities block at main the entrance to Tomakin Beach and will report on updates when advised.

NEVILLE'S FISHING REPORT

Well the recent spell of bad weather has certainly had its effect on the local fishing but without the rains and the river estuary run off the first part of the food chain would not find its way into the ocean. Once everything settles down the fish return to the rivers to their feeding grounds, attracting the predators to again work the tidal flows for food.

Weeks have just passed and the fishing has been poor if not terrible however as I write this report river fishing is picking up and fish are being caught along our beaches and reef areas as well as in our rivers and estuaries.

Each tide change is bringing an improvement. Bream are now on the move coming up to the prime biting times, which slot in around two hours after high tide ocean time, so remember the tide continues to build in the rivers and the estuaries for some 1 to 2 hours later and has to be taken into consideration when targeting estuary species. Try to hit the estuaries around 1 to 2 hours before ocean high tide and be prepared to fish the incoming flow until an hour or two after estuary high tide.

The Bream are answering well to the faithful nipper baits but can also be taken on fresh prawns. The river's Dusky Flathead are on the move, here again these blighters are a little different, they are a predator that rely on ambush and are best captured on the run-out tide. These fellows like to move down with the tannin coloured water which hides their movements and ambush passing prey. Not too often do you see a line of dirty tannin coloured water centre stream with clear either side, but if you do be sure to either drift along with it in your boat with the bait on the bottom or if spinning from the shore spin from the dark water into the clear and you may get good results.

Moving along the edge of weed banks can also be productive. Bait is not that important but I would suggest full pilchard, prawn or fish fillet bait and if available live Poddy Mullet. Black fish (Luderick) are fairly quite at the moment. Snapper are on the move outside both at reefs in close and in wider locations along with good size Morwong with a fair sprinkling of those delicious Pig Fish. I prefer Pilchard bait or Slimy Mackerel but anything is worth a try.

The Tomakin Sports & Social Club Fishing Club is preparing for the October long weekend, the MIGHTY BONANZA fishing competition now in its 35th year. Sponsors are back on board and this year promises to be a good one. The junior prizes are super angling equipment, and cash prizes for the seniors, so start preparing now. The interesting thing is, should they experience a total wash out, which has only happened once in all that time, all prizes unclaimed will be drawn for, against your entry number.

Until the next edition keep those rods held high and those lines tight. (GOOD FISHING)

Nev Arousseau

TOMAKIN MEN'S BOWLING CLUB

Want to have fun, get some exercise and meet some great new friends then you should take up lawn bowls. New bowlers are always welcome at the Tomakin Men's Bowls Club and we would love to see you get involved in our Club.

The 2016 Pennant Bowls competition saw our Grade 6 side win the District competition and then they were narrowly beaten in the Zone playoffs. Our Grade 4 and Grade 7 sides were competitive all season but were unable to advance to the finals. We are hopeful of recruiting some new bowlers to make us more competitive next season.

Club championships this year have seen Len Vincent return to win the Men's Singles championship and be crowned as Club Champion.

The recent Annual General Meeting of the Bowls Club saw Barrie Stone elected as President, Gary Chapman as Vice President, Robbie Murdoch as Treasurer and Ken Franklin as Secretary and they will be very ably supported by the new Committee.

Men's Social Bowls matches are played every Monday and Thursday afternoon with cards being called at 12.15pm for a 12.30pm start. The cost on Mondays is \$7 per head which includes entry into the cash jackpot and \$6 per head on Thursdays – very cheap entertainment with bonus exercise.

Twist Tops Social Bowls are played every Sunday morning commencing at 8.45am and new bowlers are always welcome. Practice roll-ups are available on Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 2pm at no cost.

Any enquiries regarding Men's Lawn Bowls activities including free coaching should be directed to our Bowls Coordinator Steve Hall on 0432 745 735 or Club President Barrie Stone on 4471 7105.

Terry Montgomerie – Men's Bowls Publicity Officer

TOMAKIN SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB – A WORD FROM THE CEO

A big thank you to all our members who attended the recent draw for the "Airfare to Anywhere" promotion which proved to be a very successful night for the club. Congratulations to our lucky winner Rene Wilson for winning \$6,000 in travel.

Members now have the opportunity to win themselves a brand new Hyundai Accent. See in club for details.

Major capital works projects are now completed at the club with both the carpark and tennis courts being resurfaced.

The outdoor children's playground is now complete and proving very popular with families, in particular on Sunday mornings when families are also enjoying the \$5 country breakfast from 10am to noon. Jessica's Place child minding area has also now been re-built in a new location closer to the new outdoor playground.

The existing BBQ area was also transposed into a new alfresco area with a totally new look, industrial décor and alfresco feel in preparation for the warmer months. The new alfresco area also now includes a Craft Bar offering a great selection of craft beers for tasting.

We would love to host your special day in our new fully refurbished private function room. We invite you to discuss a catering package for your special day, offering a stunning room setting with seating for up to 150 of your closest family and friends.

Hope to see at the club!

Glen Rice

TOMAKIN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC. MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership: \$5.00 per person due 1st July each year



Name (1)..... Name (2).....

Address:

Email:.....(Please print clearly)

Would you like a copy of the TCA Newsletter emailed? **Yes/No**

I/we hereby apply for new membership/membership renewal to the Tomakin Community Association Inc.
I/we agree to abide by the TCA Constitution and membership details will be included in TCA's membership register. I/we also agree to receive relevant TCA notices by email if I/we have provided email details.
(I would like a copy of TCA's Constitution - Yes/No).

Signed (1): Date:

Signed (2): Date:

Attached is the Membership fee of \$5.00 per person paid as (please tick):

Cash ☐ Cheque ☐ Money Order ☐

Would you like to make a donation towards projects for the benefit of the Tomakin community?

Yes/No Amount\$.....

Membership forms can be left at the Rivermouth General Store, the Tomakin Sports and Social Club, or posted to the TCA Treasurer, 121 Ainslie Parade, Tomakin NSW 2537.

NOMINATION FORM FOR TOMAKIN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

I (full name of Proposer).....

of (address of Proposer).....

am a current member of the Tomakin Community Association and hereby nominate

(full name of Nominated Person).....

for the position of (circle) President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Committee member of the Tomakin Community Association.

Signature of Proposer.....Date.....

Seconded by (full name).....

(address).....

I declare I am current member of the Tomakin Community Association and support this proposal.

Signature of Seconder.....Date.....

I (full name of Nominated Person)of (address of Nominated Person).....

am a current member of the Tomakin Community Association and agree to be nominated to the position of..... of the Tomakin Community Association.

Signature of Nominee.....Date.....