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Meet the Mayor

Clr Liz Innes, Mayor of Eurobodalla Shire Council will be our guest speaker at this coming TCA meeting.

7:00pm, Thursday, 9 February at Tomakin Community Hall, Ainslie Parade (at the entrance to Tomakin).

See you there!

Next TCA General Meeting

The next TCA General Meeting will be held on Thursday 9 February 2017 at 7pm at the Tomakin Community Hall, Ainslie Parade Tomakin. Guest speaker will be Eurobodalla Shire Mayor, Clr Liz Innes.

Certificates of Appreciation will also be presented to those who contributed to the book 'Tomakin – The Undiscovered History'. Light refreshments will be provided. Look forward to seeing you there!

TCA secures \$3,000 grant

TCA is delighted to announce the success of our application for \$3,000 under the NSW Government 2016 Community Building Partnership Program.

The funds will be used to manufacture annotated signboards around Tomakin detailing the history of Tomakin and identifying points of interest.

Eurobodalla Shire Council has also kindly agreed to pay for, and organise installation of the signboards.

TCA will be working with Council, and the Moruya and District Historical Society on the content of the signs.



Tomakin

The Undiscovered History

Mark Young



Discover the connection between Tomakin and this foreign war relic

In this book you will find the history of the village that time forgot plus many interesting Tomakin characters and their stories — Bunnell; Tommy Tinboy; Richard Barling; Billy the punt man; 'Berry' Tomsen; Kedge Anchor Bill; Holroyd Innes and the amazing Professor Fox are just a few who you will discover within its pages.

Price \$15



'Tomakin – The Undiscovered History'

TCA is delighted to report that sales of the book have exceeded expectations and the first print run of 500 has been sold out. Another 200 copies have been printed and are also selling fast. There has been some wonderful feedback on the book so if you would like a copy, please call 0433 140 127 or email tomakin.news@gmail.com. Books are \$15 each.

Thank you IGA The Moorings

A very big thank you from TCA to the Tomakin IGA for their generous donation of \$600 from their Community Chest Program.

TCA is extremely grateful to receive this donation which will be put towards projects in Tomakin.

Tomakin benefits a great deal from local businesses such as the IGA and by supporting them, you are also supporting your local community.



Pathway at Tomakin Cove

Council has agreed to provide plans for TCA to upgrade the middle access to Tomakin Cove. Once plans have been approved by all parties, TCA will source materials and build the new access.

A small working group has been formed for the project. It is expected the work will commence sometime in the next few months.

Meeting with Council

Members of the TCA Committee will be meeting with Council on 10 March 2017. Please let us know of any issues you would like raised, or alternatively, you can attend the next TCA General Meeting scheduled for Thursday 9 February (see details front page).

Speed limit on George Bass Drive

As a result of various representations to TCA, we have written a letter to the Member for Bega, The Hon. Andrew Constance requesting a review to the speed limit along George Bass Drive near Tomakin. TCA will keep you posted on the response.

Seaside Cinema

Thank you to the developers of 'Reflections Barlings Beach' (Walker Corporation) for organising a fantastic free seaside cinema night on Friday 13 January.

It was wonderful to see so many families come along with their chairs, beanbags, picnic rugs and hampers. The free popcorn and lollies were very popular with the children, and the hotdogs were a great success!



Santa's Visit

It was great to see Santa visiting Tomakin on Christmas morning to deliver special treats.

This very special event would not happen without the support of the Broulee Rural Fire Service, Tomakin Sports and Social Club, and volunteer TCA lolly packers - thank you all!



A great night at Carols by Candlelight

Around 200 people attended the Carols by Candlelight event at the Tomakin Sports and Social Club last month.

Thank you to the Tomakin Sports and Social Club for organising the event for 2016.

Also thanks to Kimmi Saker, Paul Marshall, The Two Tenors, Tuross Head Country Club Singers, Jessica Hughes, Ian and Gloria Lawrence, Santa, staff of the Tomakin Sports and Social Club, and TCA volunteers for making the night a great success.



Upgrade of amenities block at Tomakin Beach

Council has advised the Office of Environment and Heritage (who are responsible for reviewing issues of aboriginal significance), are currently reviewing the documentation on this project and they have until mid-February to return to Council with a position regarding the works.

TCA will provide updates as more information comes to hand.

Introducing TCA's new website

TCA is excited to announce the launch of its new website. You can find it at:

www.tomakincommunityassociation.com

The site includes projects, events, newsletters, membership form, minutes of meetings, history, and a photo gallery.

If you have any suggestions or feedback about the website, please let TCA know.

TCA has a Facebook page

TCA's Facebook page now has 362 followers! If you are on Facebook, go to TCA's page (or google Tomakin Community Association), and 'like' the page to keep up-to-date on what's happening in Tomakin.

TCA Life Membership nominations

If you have a suggestion for a Life Member, please contact TCA's Secretary Daphne Cole (112 Sunpatch Parade) or email tomakin.news@gmail.com.

Tomakin Sports & Social Club - CEO Report

Firstly a huge thank you to all who organised, participated and attended the "Stars of the Eurobodalla" on the 26th November 2016.

This Dancing with the Stars style event which featured well known members of the community dancing with local dance instructors raised over **\$22,000.00** for Cancer Council NSW and will greatly assist families within our local community at a time of need. Meetings are already being held to organise "Stars of the Eurobodalla 2017" in late July.

We were so excited this NYE to provide not one but two fireworks displays! The first was at 9pm themed for children and families with accompanying music from our expert DJ and then the community saw the New Year in with our midnight fireworks. We received excellent feedback from the community and plans are already underway for next NYE.

December also saw the introduction of **Tomakin Rewards**, a loyalty program saying thank you to our loyal members of Tomakin Sports & Social Club, by being able to turn your visits to the club into real rewards. Please feel free to pick up a brochure when next in the club or direct any questions you may have regarding our **Tomakin Rewards Loyalty Program** to any of our friendly staff.

Chef's & Apprentices Degustation Night

Join us on Saturday 28th January for a night of food. Our chef's and apprentices have designed a beautiful 7 course menu to tantalise your taste buds.

1st Course Lobster Tail Tomato Beurre Blanc

2nd Course Spicy coated halved Quail w/
Mediterranean quinoa

3rd Course Venison medallions, white bean
puree, creamed spinach, port braised raisins

4th Course Lamb Wellington filled w/ rosemary
duxelle, minted jus, pommes ann

5th Course Poached figs & Balsamic ice cream

6th Course Chocolate raspberry meringue tarts

7th Course Cheese Plater - Blue, Smoked,
Vintage, Costello, Grapes, Quince paste

Bookings can be made at reception by calling (02) 4474 7000. Cost is \$65 per person.

\$15,000 Treasure Chest Promotion

Our new member's only major promotion commencing Monday 6th February 2017 is giving members the opportunity to win a total of \$15,000.00 cash. All you have to do is swipe your member's card when purchasing food, beverages or raffle tickets in the club and for each and every cumulative \$20 you spend you will receive an entry to win. The major draw will be held on Wednesday 26th April 2017. See in club for details.

See you at the club.

Glen Rice, CEO

Anyone for Tennis?

Would you like to join a group of social tennis players?

We play at the courts at the Tomakin Club Mondays from 3.30pm to 5pm and Fridays 9.30am to 11am.

All welcome.

Contact Judy

0414879850



Neville's Fishing Report

Christmas has come and passed and, although the weather has left a lot to be desired, some excellent catches have been recorded in and around our area.

When one could make it seaward, Snapper and Flathead have been the mainstay of all the catches. Snapper seem to be on the bite close inshore around headlands.

Unfortunately, the lack of recent rains have had an effect on all fishing, as the blue water species rely heavily on the river runoff to bring about the necessary food chain to supply what the predators rely on.

Good rains were experienced late November and early December, but we have had no follow-up rain to keep the predators interested.

There seems to be a shortage of bait fish, like Mackerel and Pilchard. Even so, patience and constant fishing has seen some results.

Right at the moment, Garfish are well established in the river and estuary systems. Shallow fishing with a tiny float and small prawn bait are showing good results, along with common bread dough. Just a tip when fishing for these delightful little critters: a burley of a small amount of dry bread crumbs mixed with a good serving of finely broken Arnott's Arrowroot biscuits will keep them around for an hour or two, coming up to high tide. No wind is essential and you can forget them after tide turn.

Bream are a little shy, but with patience on the rising tide, will answer to stripy tuna used as bait and burly. The usual nippers are still good value and have recorded some fair catches.

Yes, the old Dusky Flathead are on the prowl and, as usual, are drifting on the run-out tide for the last 2 to 3 hours. These have given some good catches in the Clyde, Moruya and Tomago rivers.

So until next report, keep those rods held high and those lines tight.

One final word, I would like to thank all those wonderful people for their tributes, messages of condolence to me and the family upon the passing of my wife Irene in October - a tragic loss to us all, remembering her dedication to the Tomakin Club and the local community over the past 38 years.

Good fishing for January.

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Rally for Recovery

Hi All

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and enjoyed the festive season with family and friends.

The Rally shed has been very busy over the last couple of months with record takings during this time.

We can't make record sales without our strong group of volunteers who work tirelessly in all weather conditions for Rally for Recovery, and again, I would like to publicly thank each and every one of them.

We also couldn't have such a successful Rally for Recovery without the generous support from the general public, those who donate goods for sale and those who come to purchase our goods. Thank you everyone for your wonderful support.

The volunteers enjoyed a lovely luncheon at JJ's the Moorings for a little festive celebration in early December which was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended and I would like to thank Daniel from JJ's for all the help he gave us in organising this function.

The New Year has started well for us and I am pleased to report that we have been able to submit plans to council for further extensions to the Rally Shed which will allow us to get rid of the Tarps out the front and also enhance the look of the Shed from the street.

As always, we really could do with a few more able body men to help us out at the Rally Shed, especially with our pickups and deliveries but, even if it is only a couple of hours a week, we are always grateful for help given.

Generally, we do pickups and deliveries on Wednesday and Saturday between 9am and 12 noon. I am the co-ordinator for pickups and deliveries so please feel free to call me PH: 0406 363 166. If I am unavailable, call Peter Warren PH: 0403 195 935.

All the Best for 2017. Looking forward to catching up with you at the Rally Shed.

Ken Sloan, President

TCA door knock

TCA will be carrying out a door knock at the end of January to increase membership and also gain a feeling for what residents would like to see done in Tomakin, either via the TCA, or for the association to approach the council on your behalf.

We are also currently looking at building on the success of the Tomakin History Book in 2016 by producing two publications for 2017. Both of these will be heavily dependent on your input and this is a request for your involvement and input. The two projects we are looking at are:

1 "A Taste of Tomakin"

This is aimed to be a cookbook containing a range of favourite recipes from Tomakin residents, so please write up and send in a family recipe to contact@tomakincommunityassociation.com.

Depending on the number of recipes we receive, they will be reviewed by a panel and included in the book with your name credited. You are also welcome to attach a photograph and give it a Tomakin-based name e.g. "Melville Muffins". We

will be trying to produce this book as cheaply as possible so it can be purchased by as many people as possible.

2 Tomakin Calendar

For this project, we are asking all budding photographers out there to send us Tomakin-based photographs, which will be collated and then assessed and reviewed by an independent panel. The best pictures will be included in a 2018 Tomakin calendar, to be produced and available for sale from around November 2017. This means there has to be a cut-off date of the end August 2017 for photographs to be submitted.

Photographs need to be high resolution and can be of any Tomakin-based scene, activity, animal, or plant etc. and will be credited to you as the photographer. We will also require a full authorisation from the photograph owner for TCA to have the rights to use the picture in both hard copy and electronic form. If there are any people in your photograph, you will need to have their approval for this picture to be used and this must be forwarded on to us.

Photographs which are not used in the calendar, will be displayed (with your name credited) on the Tomakin Community Association website at: www.tomakincommunityassociation.com

Photographs can be sent to: contact@tomakincommunityassociation.com.

We hope all of you get behind these projects, have some fun, and help us make them a great success!

A reminder – dogs on beaches

A reminder that dogs are not permitted on Tomakin Cove or in Jack Buckley Memorial Park. **The fine for a dog in a prohibited place is \$330, and failure to remove dog faeces is \$275.**

Tomakin Community Association Membership Application Form

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

I / we hereby apply for new membership or membership renewal to the Tomakin Community Association Inc. I / we agree to abide by the relevant membership provisions under the TCA Constitution. (Do you want a copy of the TCA Constitution emailed to you? Yes ☐ No ☐)

Please indicate if this is a **NEW** membership application ☐ or **RENEWAL** ☐ (please tick)

Name (1) Name (2)

Address:

Email: **(Please print clearly)**

Signed: Date:

How many years would you like membership for? (please tick) 1 year (\$5 p/p) ☐ 2 years (\$10p/p) ☐

The above membership fee(s) are paid by: Cash ☐ Cheque ☐ EFT **(see note below)** ☐

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

Yes ☐ No ☐ Amount \$.....

Would you like a copy of the TCA Newsletter and notices emailed to you? Yes ☐ No ☐

Note: Membership payments and donations can be left at the Rivermouth General Store, the Tomakin Sports and Social Club, or posted to the Treasurer, PO Box 207, Moruya NSW 2537. If you prefer you can also drop off in TCA's Assistant Treasurer letterbox at 135 Sunpatch Parade. Payments can be made by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) on request by contacting Ron Begg (Treasurer) on 0419 708 486.