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ASSOCIATION**

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Upcoming TCA End of Year Meeting

7:00pm Thursday, 8 November 2018 at
Tomakin Sports & Social Club in function room
seventy-seven

Please come along and support TCA's valuable
contribution to the community.
Finger food provided.

Hope to see you there!!

TCA's Committee for 2018/19

Thank you to those who attended TCA's AGM on 9 August 2018. There are some new faces on the Committee which is a great outcome. Members of the TCA Committee for 2018/19 are:

President: Debbie Campion

Vice-President: Mark Young

Secretary: Holly Hatcher

Treasurer: Shea-Lee Stanton

General Committee Members: Sherryn Bellis, Daphne Cole, Lorna Habermann, Mathew Hatcher, Frances Richards, Kristine Hundy, Pam Higinbotham

TCA is also very grateful that Pat and Helen Wheelahan will continue to be the TCA newsletter distributor coordinators, Tina Young will continue as TCA's Website Manager, and Pamela Reseigh will continue as the Bunnings BBQ Coordinator.

TCA would like to thank Ron Begg for his effort as Treasurer for the last 2 financial years. His contribution and expertise to TCA has been considerable, and he will be missed by the committee.

Halloween

Attached to this newsletter is a flyer about Halloween and how residents of Tomakin can be involved this year.



Sydney Weekender Visit

Tomakin had a visit from the crew of 'Sydney Weekender' on 11/12 September 2018. Their focus in Tomakin was on activities on the Tomaga River and snorkelling. President Debbie Campion welcomed the crew to Tomakin and presented a book on the history of Tomakin to Mike Whitney. The show aired on TV on 7 October 2018.



Disclaimer: The views expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily those of the Tomakin Community Association Inc.

Upgrades Around Tomakin

TCA is working with Council to upgrade various facilities around Tomakin. Of desperate need of upgrades is the amenities block at Tomakin Beach main entrance. Council will be looking at upgrades for this facility hopefully before the summer holidays.

Another project is to provide a more formal walkway between the Tomaga River and Tomakin Beach, over 'The Spit'. Council is preparing a workplan and our local Coastcare group will be working on this project in the near future.

The new roundabout at Tomakin Road and George Bass Drive is coming along well and is expected to be finished before Christmas.

TCA is also looking at replacing the Melville Point information sign.

Fire at Tomakin Cove

Thank you to the locals and the Broulee, Malua Bay and Moruya brigades for helping put the fire out on Tomakin Cove on 17 September 2018.

Luckily the wind was north west and not southerly otherwise it could have been a different outcome, and houses could have been lost. It was a great community effort until the fire crews turned up!

TCA is working with Council to have this burnt out area re-vegetated asap to minimise any further erosion.

It's timely therefore to remind the community there is likely to be a very dangerous bushfire season ahead. Please be vigilant in anything fire related and prepare your bushfire plan. Here are some steps you should take to prepare for bushfire season:

1. Discuss what to do if a bushfire threatens your home and involve all members of your family in this
2. Prepare your home:
 - ✓ Trim overhanging trees and shrubs
 - ✓ Mow grass and remove cuttings
 - ✓ Remove flammable material (door mats/mulch/wood piles/etc)
 - ✓ Clear and remove all debris and leaves, from the area and gutters
 - ✓ Prepare sturdy hoses that will reach all round your home.

There is also much more detailed information at:
www.myfireplan.com.au



Vandalism and Theft

Just a reminder to all residents to look out for each other and to report any suspicious activity to Police 44. The NSW Police Force Community Portal also provides the facility to not only create a police report online, but to track your report and receive status updates. It offers the community an additional reporting channel when no emergency exists and immediate investigation by a Police officer is not necessary.

You can access the NSW Police Force Community Portal by:

- [registering for a MyServiceNSW Account](#)
- linking it to the NSW Police Force via your MyServiceNSW Account dashboard.

You'll need to verify your identity when linking your Account, and once linked, you'll be able to create an online police report such as:

- theft
- lost property
- intentional damage or graffiti.

If the incident is an emergency or occurring now, contact Triple Zero (000) immediately.

Visit the NSW Police Force Community Portal website for more information.

Results of Community Survey for JBP

Jack Buckley Memorial Park has been rezoned from a Local Recreational Park to a District Park which will allow for better facilities. Council will be working with TCA to develop a plan of upgrades that will be beneficial to the community, and to jointly submit grant applications for the work.

TCA subsequently developed and distributed a survey in June 2018 asking the community what they would like to see in the park. A total of 141 responses were received. Feedback was also sought at various TCA meetings. The following is a summary of results:

General Requests/comments which may not require specific changes:

1. Keep central part of park open - facilities round perimeters
2. Park to be made available for appropriate and occasional community functions (car boot sale/monthly farmer/other markets, seaside cinema nights -follow on from Barlings Beach seaside cinema by the Walker group.
3. Car Parking – currently park visitors park along the grass verge in front of the Park – will this still be feasible when the roundabout is completed, and Sunpatch Parade becomes a main through road?

Most requested and supported by TCA:

1. Children's facilities
 - More Natural or Artificial Shade & over Children's playground
 - More challenging children's play opportunities/equipment and better surface
 - Fence around children's play area
 - Water bubbler/station
 - Cricket practice net (behind basketball area)
 - Bike rack

2. Adult outdoor gym/fitness equipment/circuit training area (preferably near playground if possible so adults can monitor children while working out) – bench press, balance beams etc.
3. Upgraded amenities building (toilet)
4. Better lighting
5. Better power supply – especially important for increasing community events
6. Shelters with picnic tables for larger groups (upgrade of current table settings)
7. Resurfacing/levelling of grass area for sports
8. Electric barbecues
9. Fishing platforms (on current rocks but not extending over river)

A big thank you to those who participated in the survey – your feedback is extremely valuable! Once Council and TCA have agreed on an upgrade plan, funding will be sought from the 2019/20 financial year onwards.

Art on the Block

Planning is well underway for the next section of mosaics, which will be placed on the shower wall of the amenities block at Tomakin Beach main entrance. The main design will be of a big ocean wave. If you would like to get involved in the making of this mosaic, please contact Kathy McKenzie on 0429 355 469. This is a community project and we welcome any new 'budding' mosaicers!

3B Playgroups

Council's 3B Playgroups will again be held in Tomakin during Term 4. Playgroups run from 10am to 12pm. Meeting at the Tomakin Boat Ramp. For further information please contact Lisa Heinze, Coordinator Supported Playgroups from Council on 44747382 or email lisa.heinze@esc.nsw.gov.au

Date	Day	Playgroup
October	Week 1	Natures orchestra
	15/10	Come join our Rock band. Take home your nature's instrument.
	Week 3	Mini Beast Adventures
	29/10	Minibeasts where are you here we come to find you.
November	Week 5	Collecting Colour
	12/11	Colours all around us up high down low, let's find a rainbow.
	Week 7	Regatta
	26/11	Sailboat challenge, built a boat that floats
December	Week 9	Picnic day with games
	10/12	Yes were all going on a picnic, picnic, it's going to be such fun.

Tomakin Sports and Social Club

– CEO Report

MEMBER'S MAJOR PROMOTION

Our member's major promotion is giving members the opportunity to win a Camper Trailer valued at \$12,990. The promotion has already commenced, and the winner drawn on Friday 25th January 2019 at 8.30pm. Remember 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 winner must be present at the draw to win.

MELBOURNE CUP CALCUTTA

Tickets for the Melbourne Cup Calcutta are now on sale for only \$1 each. \$10,000 prize pool guaranteed. So, why not get a syndicate together for your chance to win. Draw and Auction will be on Monday 5th November from 7pm.

MELBOURNE CUP DAY

Once again Melbourne Cup day, Tuesday 6th November is set to be a busy day with the Club TAB open from 8.30am, \$4 Champagne & strawberries, Lunches from \$8 as well as Sweeps, Games, Fashion on the Field and plenty of Prizes to be won. Courtesy bus will also be available.

SAVE THE DATE

Some dates to put in the calendar:

Sunday December 2nd ~ Giant Toy Raffle with over \$4,000 in prizes

Sunday December 9th ~ Kids Christmas Party with carnival rides and a visit from Santa

Monday December 10th ~ Carols by Candlelight from 7pm

Friday December 21st ~ Major Christmas Raffle

New Year's Eve ~ Fireworks at 9pm and midnight

Australia Day ~ Chisel Barnes Tribute Show, Tickets \$20 on sale soon!!

See you at the Club.

Glen Rice, CEO

Neville's Fishing Report

Well a month or two to Xmas and fishing has not been that good to us for the winter period. One must take into account the lack of rain experienced and no run off

from the coastal streams has done little to bring the ocean predators in shore after the early food chain usually once the rivers and streams begin flowing well, there will be little change. Most of our hardened anglers have been chasing our ocean dwellers out fairly wide with mixed results. Some good tiger flathead have been taken along the edge of the 4 and 6 mile reefs along with a few good size Morwong but the Snapper have been fairly scarce. Night fishing seems to be the go around the headlands for Snapper as these fish change their tactics in dry periods moving in close after dark to catch prey off guard. There are a few good reports of great cod being caught at or around the shelf in very deep water. A change in the weather seems evident between now and Xmas so fishing should start to improve with the warmer weather. The rivers are showing telltale signs of activity particularly where the bream are concerned. Bream indicate their presence once the Soldier Crab spawn begin their hatching period. This is indicated by the depressions in the sand created by the Bream seeking to stir up the baby Crabs at night. There has been a report or two of extra-large Dusky Flathead being taken and released. The best time for these monsters is the last 2 to 3 hours of the run out tide. They are not particular what bait is used and answer well to a recommended lure. The Tomakin Sports & Social Club Fishing Club conducted its great BONANZA competition during the October long weekend and although only one day was really suitable to fish very few trophies went begging. I have heard nothing but complements as to how well the competition was run and the great job done by the new committee. Numbers were down which was expected but the sponsors certainly came to the party with solid support which will shore up a great event next year. Are there any Luderick fisherpersons left in the village? I have not got one report concerning these great eating fish. I am aware their normal diet of weed and sea cabbage has been very scarce, so here may lay the answer. I have noticed most of the weed on the rocks around the headlands is eaten down to nothing. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very merry Xmas and an extremely happy New Year. So, until next report, keep those rods held high and those lines tight. (GOOD FISHING)

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Rally for Recovery

Once again Rally for Recovery are having another great year with an increase in turnover. We have had some exciting things happening at the shed.

You may have noticed the new Solar Panels on the roof which were installed by Micro Energy Systems with the aid of a grant thru Solar Communities Program. We are very grateful to receive funding through grants and would also like to thank Kathryn Maxwell from Southcoast Health and Sustainability Alliance –(SHASA) for her help with this Grant. We have installed Cash Registers which have made things move smoothly at POS.

Harold Saxby, green thumbs, has got our new garden section organised and going really well. Mike and Russell are also keeping busy in the men's shed out the back and as usual all the ladies are always busy sorting and presenting the great merchandise we receive. Well done to all the volunteers.

We are in discussions with Council re R4R using the small block of land at the rear of Rally for extra storage as we receive such a big volume of large items of furniture and at times we just don't have the space to store it and we are endeavouring to keep a better quality of items.

We have applied for another grant through Member for Bega Andrew Constance's office to complete the last of roofing and new much needed electrical work to the premises.

I am very pleased that over the last couple of months we have had quite a few new volunteers join us which is great, but we can always use more help to ease the pressure especially fit men who can spare a few hours a week. As most of us are retired and have other interests or organisations we work for we are grateful for any hours you can give to our organisation knowing that all monies raised goes to Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation - Kids Cancer Centre at Randwick. If you are interested just call in and ask for Ken or give me a ring on 0406 363 166.

I would like to thank all of our patrons for their continued support of Rally for Recovery whether you are donating items for sale or making a purchase without your support we couldn't continue to make such great donations for Research into Childhood Cancer and Blood Disorders.

Opening Hours Wednesday and Saturday 9am to 12 noon whatever the weather.

We do free pick-ups of saleable items and offer a delivery service at a reasonable fee.

As this is the last TCA newsletter for the year on behalf of all at Rally for Recovery I would like to wish everyone all the best for the Festive Season.

RALLY ON!!

Ken Sloan –President.

Tomakin Coastcare

Vale Colin Wade, sorry to start with the sad news of the passing of one of our volunteers. Colin would wander over from his house nearby with a friendly hullo & offers of how he could help, he will be missed!

We continue our plantings of extension of area near canoe launching spot near J B park, previous plantings providing good cover for increasing numbers of silver eyes, finches, satin bower birds, honey eaters to name a few & will be around for generation after generation! Unsure of the new ride on mower boys from the panzer division of council who are now mowing into areas that haven't been touched in the past. There is still hope for us as the other arm of council still provide the team with mulch & seedlings, good advice & more.

Graeme Henwood

Santa's Visit

The TCA Committee would like to wish all Tomakin residents and their families a happy and safe festive season.

Remember to keep your eye out for Santa in the Rural Fire Service Truck on Christmas morning. There may be some changes to Santa's route this year so keep your eye out for more information on our Facebook page. Thank you to the Tomakin Sports and Social Club, Rural Fire Service and the Members of TCA for continuing to support this traditional event in Tomakin.

Carols by Candlelight 2018

Carols by Candlelight will be held at the Tomakin Sports and Social Club on Monday 10th December. So, save the date!!

TCA will be selling flameless candles on the night. Look forward to seeing you there.

TCA has a Facebook page

If you're on Facebook head over to www.facebook.com/TomakinCA and "like" us to keep up to date with what's happening in Tomakin.

TCA has a website

You can find our website at www.tomakincommunityassociation.com

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

Membership Application Form

☐ Renewal

☐ New Member

Applicant 1

First Name

Last Name

Phone

Email

Do you wish to receive the newsletter via email? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Address

Applicant 2

First Name

Last Name

Membership Fees

☐ 1 year (\$5 per person)

☐ 2 years (\$10 per person)

Please circle: Fees paid by Cash Cheque EFT

Donations

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

Amount \$ _____

Other Information

I/We hereby apply for membership to the Tomakin Community Association Inc.

I/We agree to abide by the relevant membership provisions under the TCA Constitution.

I/We agree to receive relevant TCA emails.

Constitution can be found at <https://www.tomakincommunityassociation.com/about>

Membership payments can be made by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) upon request by contacting the Treasurer at contact@tomakincommunityassociation.com . Alternatively, you can leave monies and forms at The Tomakin Sports & Social Club reception, The Rivermouth Café or post to PO Box 207, Moruya NSW 2537.

Memberships run by financial year and are due on the 1st of July.

Signature

Applicant 1

Date:

Applicant 2

Date:

