

# Tyabb & District Ratepayers



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## Your Community, Your Voice

### Happy New Decade

### President's Preamble

Welcome everyone to the start of a new year and decade. I trust the holidays were enjoyable and everyone is primed and ready for another fantastic year.

Our thoughts are with those affected by the bushfires. Recovery will take a long time, so it's a great thing if we can take some time to visit the areas affected now that most of them are open for business again. Take an empty esky and basket and buy up big.

Even though we are in the last official month of summer don't believe after the weather has been so varied that we are not out of the woods when it comes to fires and, at the other extreme, flooding; so like the Scouts, "be prepared".

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#### General/Around Town

It's good to see that the verandah outside the Tyabb Antique Centre is being rebuilt.



We are following up with the Shire to reposition some of the signage through the main street which is difficult to read.

A big thanks must go to the members of the Tyabb CFA and their families who have been on a rotating roster with one of the station trucks working on the fires in Gippsland. This highlights the need for extreme care and vigilance over the coming months, because the potential is still very strong. Also, be aware that Fire Restrictions are still in force.



A reminder that the emptying of the "recycle" waste bin has reverted to the fortnightly cycle. The next collection will be either Thursday, 20th or Friday, 21st February - depending on where you live in Tyabb.

While we are on the topic of rubbish. The Shire's 'No Charge' Green Waste disposal weekend has been brought forward and extended by an extra day.

It will take place at all Resource Recovery Centres (Tips) on **Friday, 14th February to Monday, 17th February.**

Green waste includes all types of garden waste and untreated timber. The event is open to Peninsula residents or ratepayers only - proof of residency is required.

#### Town Plan & Tyabb Airfield Precinct Plan

As mentioned in previous newsletters, our CRG members still await news as to when the next CRG meeting will be held. Whilst talking airfield, a reminder that the air show is just a month away; so a warning to all that have pets and other animals, maybe even yourselves, that are sensitive to loud noise - you may consider taking precautions. Also be aware that there may be some practice flights leading up to the day with related noise.

We are also still awaiting a briefing on the promised Airfield Master Plan and Noise Management Plan.

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#### Road Safety

As our local schools have started for the first term, remember the morning and afternoon school zone speed restrictions are now active - **40kph.**

After an extended quiet time of no trains, they are now back, so take care at the numerous level crossings along the track from Stony Point to Frankston.

With the fickle Victorian weather, in particular the heavy rain squalls which can develop quickly, make allowances: slow down, be patient and make yourself visible by turning on your headlights. With the increased volume of traffic we all need to be far more careful.

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#### Dates To Remember

Fire Restrictions	Still in force
Valentines Day	14th February
Air Show	8th March
Labour Day	9th March
Somerville Family Day	9th March
End of Term 1	27th March
End of daylight saving	5th April
Good Friday	10th April
Easter	10th - 13th April
Start Term 2	14th April

**Stefan Berson**  
President

**TYABB DISTRICT RATEPAYERS GROUP**  
**Tuesday, 11th February**

*All meetings are held at 7:00pm in the CFA rooms in Tyabb*



### Fire Restrictions



The Fire Danger Period is when CFA restricts the use of fire in the community. This is to help prevent fires from starting. CFA declares the Fire Danger Period for each Shire or Council at different times in the lead up to the fire season. It depends on the amount of rain, grassland curing rate and other local conditions.

**The Fire Danger Period for Tyabb is between 16th December, 2019 and 1st May, 2020.**

Local laws apply Check with the Council

### Friends of Clifford Drive & Olivers Creek Bushland Reserves



Both groups are running well and the Reserves are showing the benefits of some local hard work and TLC.

The newest group, Olivers Creek, is going from strength to strength with new faces joining at each working bee.

To join in these worthwhile community projects just turn up at one of the working bees and bring a friend.

Friends of Clifford Drive Bushland Reserve meets on the first Sunday of even numbered months (February, April, June, August, October & December) for two hours from 10:00am.

Friends of Olivers Creek Bushland Reserve meet on the second Saturday of odd numbered months (January, March, May, July, September & November) 10:00am to noon.

Two upcoming events:

#### Friends Groups Network Event

Saturday, 21st March at Seawinds Gardens, Arthurs Seat.

This is a chance to meet up with other friends groups and exchange ideas and to enjoy a convivial lunch in pleasant surroundings.

Last year the Friends of Clifford Drive Bushland Reserve were honoured to receive an award from the Shire in recognition of what had been achieved in the Reserve.

#### Volunteers Expo

Monday, 25th May at Shire Offices in Mornington from 11:00am - 3:00pm.

This is a great event to explore the many volunteering opportunities which are available throughout the Peninsula, not just those to do with bushland reserves.

**Everyone is welcome at the working bees.**

**Please come and join us.**

## MARQUEE HIRE



Professional grade, steel framed, clear or opaque sides.

6m x 6m \$700, 6m x 9m \$800, 6m x 12m \$900

Circular tables \$15 each, Chairs \$3 each

All funds raised go back into projects for the community

**FOR BOOKINGS CALL: 0439 831 170**

## Your Local Environment

Welcome to the first of our Tyabb & District Ratepayer Group's environment pages. Here you will find Tyabb and surrounds news, information and upcoming events about our wonderful local area. If you have any interesting snippets, pictures or other items to share please send them to us using our email address: [tyabb\\_and\\_district\\_ratepayers@yahoo.com.au](mailto:tyabb_and_district_ratepayers@yahoo.com.au)

Feel free to include any tips about reducing plastic, keeping our streets free of rubbish - anything that helps protect and respect our environs and wildlife. We'd love to hear from you.

### Wildlife in heat distress

Naturally, uppermost in our minds right now are the catastrophic fires. The days of summer can be tough on our wildlife. Could you spot an animal in distress? The following from Wildlife Victoria might help:

- \* Animals will appear lethargic, unresponsive or confused
- \* Birds may pant with their mouths open & hold their wings out away from their body
- \* Possums and koalas may come down to the ground seeking water during daylight hours
- \* In serious cases, animals may present unconscious or convulsing

Read more: <https://www.wildlifevictoria.org.au/faq-s>

*Always remember that any interaction with humans is stressful  
so keep this to a minimum*

### Hot days in the backyard

Of course, on those blistering hot days the best thing you can do for our animal friends is to provide water so don't forget to clean and top up bird baths and ensure there are plenty of other shallow water sources around the garden. Providing safety from dogs and cats is always important, but especially on hotter days.



### Join up

The Mornington Peninsula Landcare groups are terrific resources. If you haven't already become a member, you might want to consider joining. Our local group information is here: [https://mplandcare.org.au/landcare-](https://mplandcare.org.au/landcare-groups/watson-creek-catchment-landcare-group/)

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As mentioned previously closer to home the Friends of Clifford Drive Bushland Reserve and Olivers Creek Bushland Reserve are always welcoming to new members. The working bees at these two Reserves are a great way of introducing children to their local environment and teaching them how to care for their local area and wildlife.

### Events

**Koala Forum:** Finding ways to support koala conservation

**Time:** 6 - 10pm

**Date:** Thursday, 26th March

**Cost:** Free

**Venue:** Peninsula Community Theatre  
91 Wilsons Road, Mornington  
just Google "koalas and Eventbrite"



### Briars After Dark Wildlife Walks

Take a walk through the Wildlife Sanctuary and experience the bush as it transforms from day to night; a truly special time to be outdoors. Bring along a torch to spot kangaroos, emus, sugar gliders and more! A great activity for all (as long as you can be quiet as an antechinus!).

**Date:** 31st March & 5th April

**Time:** 7 - 8:30pm

**Cost:** \$25/adult \$19/child

**Bookings via Eventbrite:**

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/o/the-briars-12255672353>

### Have Your Say

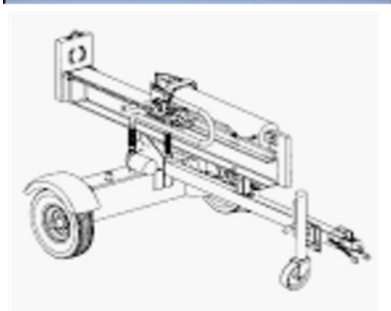
Council meetings are a great place to raise environmental issues with the Shire. The next meeting close to Tyabb is on:

**Date:** Tuesday, 10th March

**Time:** 5:30pm Light refreshments, 6:00pm Public Briefings  
7:00pm Council meeting

**Venue:** Balnarring Community Hall  
3041 Frankston-Flinders Road  
Balnarring





At Off the Hook Lawn Mowing & Property Maintenance, I offer punctual reliable and friendly service.

My goal is to take care of your property so you are free to enjoy the important things in life.

As well as general garden maintenance, rubbish removal and pressure cleaning, I now offer log splitting on site.

For a professional and hardworking service, call John on 0477 777 601

## Neil's Music School

Music is my passion and I aim to give a spark to the same flame in others.

### About me:

Hi, my name is Neil. I'm a music teacher specialising in Piano, Guitar, Bass, Drums and Theory.

I focus on keeping music enjoyable whilst including all necessary techniques and theory tuition to inspire performing, songwriting & composition.

I teach across all ages and experience levels - from preschool to seniors, from complete beginners to the more advanced musician. Every lesson is tailored to meet the needs of the student. I'm happy to go through AMEB grades and ANZCA grades if required.

Cost:  
\$35 per half hour

Location:  
Lessons are offered at our studio in Tyabb  
For an \$10 call-out fee, I can come to you

### Qualifications & experience:

Bachelor of Applied Music Composition 2016

AMEB 6 Piano 2010

VCE guitar contemporary Yr 11-12 2008-2009

Teaching/Performing on the Mornington Peninsula for 10+ years

Contact: 0415 453 111

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Piano



Guitar/Bass



Drums



Theory



## Tyabb & District Ratepayers Group

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION 1/10/2019/ to 30/9/2020

Only \$10 per household

Title

First Name

Surname

Address: .....

Phone: ..... E-mail address: .....

(Please print your e-mail address carefully as we have had a number of bounce-backs) For an email newsletter tick this box ☐

### Payment Methods:

**Cheque:** Payable to 'Tyabb & District Ratepayers', with this form by post to 'The Treasurer', PO Box 155 Tyabb 3913 or by hand at the next Tyabb Ratepayers Group meeting.

**EFT-:** A/c name: Tyabb Ratepayers Bank: Bendigo Bank BSB: 633000 A/c No: 123577207. Reference: Your name.

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