

# Tyabb & District Ratepayers



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## Your Community, Your Voice

## ANZAC Day dawn service to be held again this year

### President's Preamble



Welcome everyone to the Autumn edition of your newsletter. Here we are a third of the way through Autumn and the recent days may have fooled you to think Summer was back; yes, just what we expect in Melbourne.

The good news being the continuing days free of COVID cases. Let's just go slow and easy in the climb out and trust that the number of days free gets greater.

In a break from the norm, the remainder of the preamble will be a brief on the history of our town's oldest building, the Tyabb Youth Hall, and the push to have it renovated.

However, I must mention that due to the relaxing of COVID restrictions, the RSL and government are allowing ANZAC Day commemorations to go ahead with some constraints. Our sub-committee are busy making preparations for the Tyabb Dawn Service. Details of how this service will be conducted appear later in the newsletter.

If you have any suggestions or feedback regarding anything around town please get in contact with the Ratepayers Group or send an email to

tyabb\_and\_district\_ratepayers@yahoo.com.au

**Stefan Berson (President)**

### Dates to Remember

19th April	School Term 2 starts
25th April	ANZAC Day
9th May	Mothers Day
14th June	Queen's Birthday

**TYABB DISTRICT RATEPAYERS GROUP**  
**NEXT MEETING**  
**Tuesday 13th April, 2021 at 7:00pm**  
**SOMERVILLE COMMUNITY HOUSE**  
**(off Blacks Camp Road)**

### Tyabb ANZAC Day Dawn Service



With the easing of restrictions we are able to hold the Tyabb ANZAC Day commemorative dawn service this year. There will be a few changes in that we will use a larger area, spilling onto the oval if necessary so we can maintain the social distancing requirements of 1.5 metres between individuals (unless you are a same household group) and between individuals and groups.

At this time it is still mandatory to carry a mask when leaving home and maintain social distancing. COVID rules are still in place and those not feeling well or exhibiting flu-like symptoms should not attend. If you become unwell during the service please fit a mask, notify the organisers or a first aider if close by and move away from the general crowd. We will ensure that adequate help is available.

Whilst masks are not mandatory it may be prudent in this circumstance to wear one. Please wear a mask if you are unsure.

Shaking hands, hugging and kissing as a greeting is discouraged under the DHHS COVID guidelines.

We have been advised that a record of attendees is required and this will be done by both QR codes and manual sign in. QR codes will be located in the service program and at various points around the cenotaph, including in the main marquee.

We ask those attending to sign in as they arrive, but if that is not possible please use the QR code or manual sheets before leaving the area. There will be persons identified in hi vis clothing to assist with sign in if required and if all else fails the organisers will be around after the service to help if need be. It would be helpful if all those attending could, if possible, have a QR reader app installed on their phone.

Start time is scheduled for 5:50am - 6:00am

Be aware that things can change quickly, so please monitor any DHHS press releases for changes to public gathering requirements.

1st Tyabb Scouts, along with Somerville Tyabb Rotary will again be supplying limited shelter, cooking a breakfast and asking for a gold coin donation.

Good value we reckon. Again, please maintain social distancing in the queue.

Our good friends at LaLupa and Tyabb IGA will be donating food and coffee and we look forward to the local schools, CFA, Tyabb netball and football clubs being represented and assisting as usual.

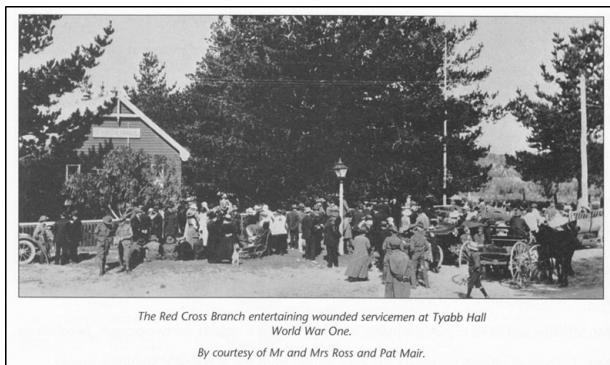
## Help to save 130 years of Tyabb's heritage and honour our pioneering families



Tyabb Youth Hall, latterly the home of the Tyabb Girl Guides is the oldest surviving civic building in Tyabb. In the last half of the 1800s the growth in European settlement in the district created the need for a Community Hall. In 1888 a 'Tyabb Hall Managing Committee' was formed to acquire the necessary land and build a town hall. Many of the names of that first committee will be familiar to us all today if only from the road names; McKirdy, Slocombe, O'Neil, Wilkinson, Thornell, Mair, MacLaurin, Berry, Denham and King.

In an interesting contrast to today, it took only a year for the funds to be raised, the land to be purchased and the hall to be built! The site chosen was the north/east corner of Frankston Flinders Rd and The Crescent. The grand opening of the hall took place on the 17<sup>th</sup> March 1889 with a ball and "a good deal of speechifying" (Local dignitaries invited to the event included "the Hastings Constable" James Watt, the Great Grandfather of this newsletter's editor).

For nearly 70 years The Hall was the centre of the district's social life.



From holding Tyabb's first religious services, to welcoming home veterans of the Great War to regular dances and dinner balls the Hall was the default venue for events large and small in the District.

By the 1950s the population of the district had outgrown the original hall and so again the community banded together to build a new larger one on the same site. The original 1889 Hall was relocated to its present site on land donated by Mr & Mrs Lillywhite and dedicated to the youth of Tyabb. Built in 1957 by local builder Gaza Shaw, the current hall was opened and with the Youth Hall continued to be managed by the local community. In 1974 the Shire Council (in those days Hastings SC) took over responsibility for the management of both halls.

The Youth Hall became home to a number of youth focused activities such as Tyabb's first Netball Club, a Boys Youth Club and in 1962 Tyabb Girl Guides. In 2001 the Hastings District Heritage Places study recommended the preparation of a conservation management plan for the Hall.

Sadly, at some time after the amalgamation of the Shires the Youth Hall appears to have been lost from the Council's asset register and for many years received little or no conservation or remedial maintenance. As a result, the Hall has deteriorated to such an extent that when the Council eventually inspected it in 2020 it had to be closed on safety grounds, and the Girl Guides relocated.



The estimated costs of stabilising Tyabb's oldest heritage building are:

Short term remediation/rectification (make safe) of the Hall:  
\$447,310

Full redevelopment to bring building Hall up to all relevant standards:  
\$1,477,240

We have had the opportunity to brief Neale Burges MP, the Shire Mayor Cr Despi O'Connor, the CEO John Baker, and our ward representative Cr. Paul Mercurio on the need for the Shire to take urgent action to preserve the Youth Hall, especially with winter coming. However, the published 2021/22 Shire Proposed Budget has only monies allocated to "Planning infrastructure improvements" for the Youth Hall. The earmarked sum of \$75,000 is clearly inadequate for the necessary minimal remediation/ rectification of the deterioration of the Youth Hall.

There is window for all residents to comment on the Proposed budget before the 29<sup>th</sup> April. So, if you are concerned to save Tyabb's oldest Civic Building and to honour the early pioneers who built it, we urge you to write to the Shire and ask them to make at least \$450,000 available for the remediation of the Tyabb Youth Hall.

You can do this online via the Shire's web site and follow the **Budget 2021 – 2022** links. Alternatively, you can contribute by mail to:  
**Budget Submissions, Mornington Peninsula Shire, Private Bag 1000, Rosebud, Victoria.**

## Please help to save Tyabb Youth Hall



## Girls aged 5-17 years Come and join TYABB GIRL GUIDES



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*Guides Victoria: Helping girls and young women grow into confident, self-respecting, responsible community members.*

**Monday Nights during school terms  
(Come and try 3 weeks free!!)**

**Junior Guides (5-10 years) 6.00 – 7.30pm**

**Senior Guides (10-17 years) 6.30 – 8.30pm**

**Tyabb Community Hall, 1535 Frankston-Flinders Rd**

*Our programs help girls get curious about the world and make a difference in their community.*

*Experience new and exciting challenges*

*Learn new skills*

*Meet new friends*

*Have lots of fun*

*Discover the great Outdoors*

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### NEED FURTHER INFORMATION?

Call Kerrie on 0417 598 296

or email [kerrie.harrisspencer@guidesvic.org.au](mailto:kerrie.harrisspencer@guidesvic.org.au)



[Tyabb Girl Guides - Ages 5-17 - Mornington Peninsula - WERE FOR GIRLS!!](#)

### Fire Restrictions



#### Fire restrictions have now been lifted

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.

To be certain that you are able to burn off check with Council, not forgetting that different rules apply to different sized properties.

Local laws apply

Check with the Council



#### What is Snap Send Solve?

Like all great ideas, Snap Send Solve was developed from a simple thought - "wouldn't it be great if I could report this broken swing in the park through an app".

**You can now report  
wildlife emergencies  
with the Snap Send Solve app**

To start using this service just download it from your app store. Once you have made a report to Council or whoever they will reply with a case number. It's a great idea and works so well.

## MARQUEE HIRE



**Rotary**



Club of Somerville Tyabb

Professional grade, steel framed, clear or opaque sides.

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

All funds raised go back into projects for the community

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**Off the Hook**  
Lawn Mowing and Property Maintenance

## Tyabb Scout Group



For boys and girls aged 7+  
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information and a free trial.

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