

Tyabb & District Ratepayers



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Your Community, Your Voice

President's Preamble

Greetings and welcome everyone to a new year and hence our first newsletter for 2018. Already one month gone, the weather is being normal for Melbourne: hot, stormy and sometimes windy and wet, but who else suffered through the longest blackout that I've experienced in Tyabb over the last 40+ years.

The holidays are over, the children are back at school, so a quick reminder of not just the 40km/hr school zones, but ALL speed limits.

Tyabb Ratepayers Group AGM

Back on 12th December we held our AGM. First, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Doug McDonald for chairing the elections. Next, I need to thank the outgoing executive and committee of 2017 for their dedication and hard work over the year. The election for this year's executive and committee has seen a few changes. The executive is unchanged, but with the addition of Val Davis as acting-Secretary to allow Katrina personal leave until June. The other is the addition of Dr. Martin Cranmer as Vice President. At the committee level, after many productive years Bill Agnew and David Chalke didn't seek re-election; thank you to both for all their hard work. Dick Cox, David Lines and Ken Taylor were re-elected, returning was Peter Davis and the newest to be elected is Brewis Atkinson. Subsequent to the elections, we received the resignation, for family reasons, of another long time member, David Lines. We also pass on all our best wishes and a great deal of thanks for all the hard work David has put into the Ratepayers Group and the Friends of Clifford Drive Bushland Reserve over many years.

Tyabb Township Plan/Airfield

As some of you are painfully aware over recent weeks, particularly at night, for those who are light sleepers the noise has been a big issue. Bearing in mind in certain weather conditions, the amphitheater effect due to the location of the airfield, then combined with the extreme noise that the VicPol helicopter generates, the total result can be very annoying and disruptive. The Ratepayers Group and some individuals have been in contact with Police Air Wing to ascertain if the increase of flying activity at Tyabb has been brought on by the

recent installation of the Mornington Peninsula Shire Council - ratepayer funded - concrete landing area with additional jet fuel facility. It was confirmed that the helicopter was transiting on police activities, however some activities were in fact training. We have been assured that training was unintentional and that such future activity, hopefully, won't take place here. I'm positive nobody has any objection to emergency use by the Police helicopter, in fact the greater Police presence is great news; the same goes for any flying by the Air Ambulance. It's all a matter of good airmanship.

It should be pointed out that many years ago the Shire looked into some dedicated helipads for emergency and private use at strategic locations around the Shire. The question has to be asked: what happened to the study and outcome? Like a lot of things it appears it was too difficult and may have upset some people and just got lost in bureaucracy and never happened. We recently made representation to the Shire of a more than suitable location near Bluescope/ESSO, which is fully secured and being in a heavy industrial area, the noise would not be an issue. Obviously the bureaucrats know better.

Airshow

Just a heads up that the airshow will be held on Sunday, 11th March and we understand that like the last there will be some use of pyrotechnics during some displays. We, and the Shire, had many calls from concerned residents concerning the effect these pyrotechnics had on family pets and other livestock, so may we just remind everyone to be ready.

Around Town

It was pleasure to see the large turnout at the Carols in the Park just before Christmas - more on this later in the newsletter.

Beware the increase in traffic around and through town now that all the schools have started the year. This also means that at certain times of the day there will be extra foot and bicycle movements on footpaths and crossing the road whilst on the way to and from school.

Hopefully the greater Police presence around the area will track down and apprehend those hooners that feel it necessary to leave their tyre details on the roads, the motorbike riders and 4WD drivers along the railway reserve and the graffiti artists who have recently left their mark on a variety of locations such as bus shelters, front fences, the track to Hastings and a large sign at the petrol station.

Dates To Remember

Valentines Day	14th February
Western Port Festival	23rd - 25th February
Clean Up Australia Day	4th March
Airshow	11th March
Somerville Family Day	12th March
Labour Day holiday	12th March
End of daylight saving	1st April
Watson Ward Meeting	April 2018 tbc
ANZAC Day	25th April

**TYABB DISTRICT RATEPAYERS GROUP
TUESDAY, 13th February**

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

**Stefan Berson
President**



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This year's **Clean Up Australia Day** is on **Sunday, 4th March**.

If you have not registered, it's not too late. Start your own clean up site, or join an existing one by visiting

<https://www.cleanupaustralia.org.au/get-involved>

Clearing Sale



Saturday, 24th March

65 Boes Road

Auction will commence at 10am

Farm equipment, house contents, garden plants & paraphernalia

Refreshments will be available

2017 Carols In The Park

"Oh what a Night". Memories of a fine song from my youth, but what a night it was at Tyabb Central Reserve on Sunday 10th December last year for the 29th Carols in the Park. Organised by Pastor Rod Whitford and his team from the Western Port Christian Family Church, it was one of the two most popular community gatherings in Tyabb, the other being ANZAC Day. The attendance was again over 500 who were entertained by Rod's team, three young local singers and a crowd pleaser who entertained the kids (and adults) with his original songs to help him give away free chocolate bars. His own interpretation of a Beatles favourite with a Christian them was 'different'. We hope the royalties to Sir Paul McCartney were not too steep!

Kids from the Tyabb Railway Primary School joined Rod's team atop the brightly lit truck stage graciously supplied by Taranto Farms. The weather was good, if not a bit chilly towards the end, but nothing to dampen the spirits of all who attended. Great night, great fun.

Onwards and upwards for the 30th this year and there is even talk of fireworks!!!



Clare Davidson warms up to please the crowd

Community Garden



If you are interested in being involved in the creation of a community garden behind the Guide Hall in The Crescent please contact the Ratepayers Group, either by email or phone. A number of groups, including Rotary and Western Port Christian Family are helping with the project and it is hoped that many in the community will offer their assistance.

My How We've Grown



Since our early settlement in the 1840s, Tyabb has grown from a farming community into a predominantly residential one. The 2016 Census results show just how much Tyabb has grown in recent years.

Since 1961 the number of homes has grown by nearly two-thirds and there are now around 3,500 of us calling Tyabb home.

Hey True Blue



Most of us are Australian born (82%) and Australian citizens (90%) with over half claiming ancestry from the British Isles (England, Scotland, Wales & Ireland) and just under half from Australia.

Overall 97% of us come from countries where English is spoken. The other main languages spoken in Tyabb are German, Greek & Dutch.

The Rise of the Non-believers



One of the most notable changes in Australia in recent years has been the decline in religious observance and affiliation and Tyabb is no exception.

In 2016 only half of us claimed any religious affiliation, with the various forms of Christianity being the overwhelming majority. The number of Tyabb residents with no religion has doubled in the last 20 years to nearly 1,400.

School Town



The majority of us are 35 - 59 and the second largest group are the empty nesters and retirees over 60.

Surprisingly, only 568 school age children live in Tyabb which contrasts with the 2,000+ who attend any of our schools and childcare centres each day; which is a clear statement of Tyabb's importance as an education centre for the wider Peninsula and a reminder to the Shire Council to fix up the traffic problems created at drop off & pick up times.

Smarter



Around 1,600 of us has a post-school qualification of some sort, with engineering (342), management & commerce (224) and education (224) being the most common. For most of us that is a Certificate I - IV or a Diploma, only 14% of Tyabb's residents over 15 years of age has a Bachelor's Degree or higher.

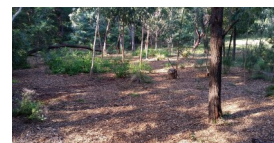
Work



Overall most of us over 15 are either in the workforce or studying, with only 772 doing neither. These are mainly retirees and pensioners. Unemployment is generally low at 4%, but for 15 - 24 year olds living in central Tyabb it is a worrying 23%.

It is a delight to see our little community growing and thriving, especially in the education sector.

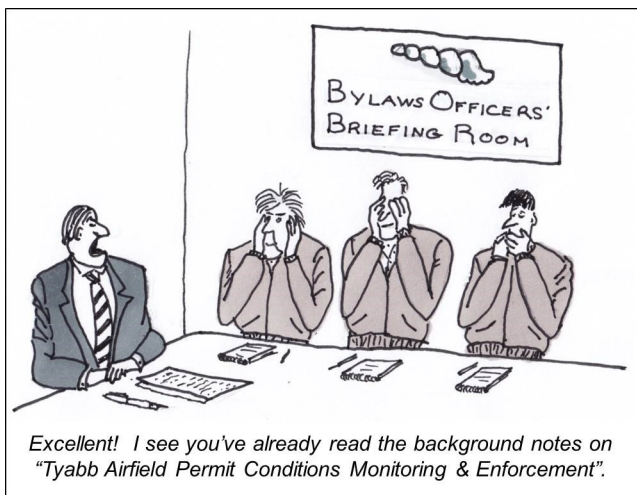
Friends of Clifford Drive Bushland Reserve



Next Working Bee

The next working bee will be held on **Sunday, 15th April, 2018 at 9 Clifford Drive, Tyabb at 10:00am** (near the picnic table). Keep an eye out for the new signs.

Everyone is welcome. Please come and join us.
David Chalke (President)



Excellent! I see you've already read the background notes on "Tyabb Airfield Permit Conditions Monitoring & Enforcement".



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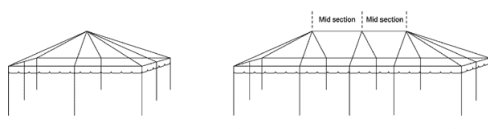
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A very warm welcome from the Tyabb Tennis Club, we are located at the Bunguyan Reserve on the Frankston Flinders Road in Tyabb, an accessible location with plenty of parking.

Our Club currently has 4 En Tout Cas courts, all of which are floodlit, with a plan in place by the Mornington Peninsula Shire Council to extend to six courts. The Club is served by a good clubroom, which enables us to have regular functions for Junior members and their parents. We are a family friendly Club and have thriving Junior Sections where we encourage new players who like to have fun while playing and enjoy learning the game of tennis.

We offer professional coaching 4 nights each week via our coach Travis Williams for all ages and levels from the very beginner to the more advanced players.

Tyabb Tennis Club is well represented in all the local tennis competitions and have Junior, Senior, Midweek Ladies and Night tennis teams, competing at all levels across the Mornington Peninsula. The village of Tyabb is constantly welcoming new residents and thus we are keen to let you all know about the Club as we have such great facilities that residents can take advantage of.

So there is plenty of opportunity to get involved at any level, no matter what your age or ability so whatever you are looking for, whether it be coaching, a social hit or a competitive match you will find it at the Tyabb Tennis Club.

Come down and see our Club for yourself. Initial enquiries should be directed to:

Peter Rowley by email at:
peter.rowley@bekaertdeslee.com.au
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The Luke Batty Shield

Chief Commissioner Graham Ashton padded up to face the first over of the annual Luke Batty Memorial 20/20 Cricket Match between the Victoria Police Cricket team and the Tyabb Cricket team held at the Tyabb Cricket Ground on the Australia Day eve. After Tyabb won the toss and elected to bowl the Chief leading from the front faced the first delivery bowled by the local Federal Minister Greg Hunt. The Chief lifted the first delivery over the cover fieldsmen and it went for four. Greg Hunt soon got his revenge having the Chief caught in the gully of his third delivery.

The police team went on to make 189 off its twenty overs. What looked like a respectable total was chased down by the Tyabb team with just over an over to spare to give Tyabb a memorable win. The match was played in excellent spirit and all funds raised donated to a very worthy cause. Thanks to all those involved who made it such a successful event. Victoria Police look forward to avenging the loss next year!



Toss of the coin to start the match

From the Facebook site: Eyewatch—Frankston Police Service Area

Pottery Road Quarry



The first meeting of the Peninsula Quarries (Vic) Community Engagement Group was held on 22nd January, 2018 at the quarry site. Terms of reference were agreed and the issues discussed, without resolution, covered fencing, revegetation, noise, road traffic and the junction of Pottery Road and Jones Road; all of which will continue to be discussed at future meetings. It was confirmed that the quarry owners now have permission from Southern Region Water to intersect with the water table.

Sadly the EPA, CFA, Southern Region Water were not in attendance. The next meeting is scheduled for 21st February. If you have any points you want raised at this meeting, or would like to read the minutes of the meeting please get in touch with the Ratepayers Group.

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The Tyabb & District Ratepayers, Business & Environmental Group was formed to assist us all in the Watson and Cerberus Wards to enjoy our community and its amenity.

The aims of the group are:

- To ensure protection of the rural nature of the area.
- To minimise commercial exploitation of the area.
- To encourage visitors to contribute to the welfare of the area.
- To protect, maintain and restore the natural environmental features of the area.
- To bring to the attention of the relevant bodies and authorities any matters of concern to members which are consistent with these objectives.

Membership renewal is now due for 2017/2018, or alternately, if you wish to join please complete your personal details below and send it to the group with your subscription remittance.

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