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Your Community, Your Voice

AGM : Tuesday, 8th October, 2019

Complementary Signs

President's Preamble

Greetings and welcome one and all to the mid-Spring edition of your newsletter. Yes, half way through Spring; the days are getting longer and daylight saving is upon us again. The weather is slowly getting warmer, but don't be surprised by the odd day of winter-style blasts; remember, this is Melbourne.

Daylight Saving

Daylight saving has started (Sunday, 6th October) so don't forget to check your fire alarms & change the batteries if necessary.

Around Town

It's with pleasure that we can advise that the Stage I upgrade of changing rooms at Bunguyan Reserve is completed and thanks to Greg Hunt, who has got the Federal government to add another \$150,000 for Stage 2. Hopefully our representation to the Shire to get the drive sealed isn't too far away.

We are awaiting action from the Shire with the repositioning of the centre median strip signs; also for the Packing House sign.

Concerning the verandah in front of the antique shop near the post office that was damaged and subsequently removed for safety reasons, we have been advised by the Shire that its restitution is the responsibility of the shop owner. Let's hope it happens sooner rather than later; at the moment it looks like the shopping strip has lost its front tooth!

Now that the weather is on the improve and temperatures are rising with Summer around the corner it is time to get the gardening routine reactivated. Remember also many birds are breeding and protecting their young; this brings out their protective nature of swooping - the magpie near Stocktons on Frankston-Flinders Road is having a field day with the walkers, runners and cyclists. Let's not forget our slithery friends who as the weather warms up will be coming out of hibernation. A refresher course in correct first aid techniques could be a good idea.



AGM

Just a reminder that our meeting on Tuesday, 8th October will be our AGM, followed by a general meeting.

Dates To Remember

Daylight saving	6th October
Term 4 commences	7th October
Shire Free Green Waste	25th - 27th October
Melbourne Cup Day	5th November
Remembrance Day	11th November



These signs, neither of which has been produced by the Ratepayers Group, have been sprouting up around the district. In our view, these should not be taken as indications of serious disunity in the community. We believe that they represent two sides of the same coin and that the sentiments expressed complement each other. Read without prejudice, they are compatible with the shared Council and Ratepayers Group position on the airfield. This was first

enunciated 15 years ago as part of the Tyabb Airfield & Environs Study :

To identify policies, strategies and controls for the Tyabb Airfield to ensure the long term retention and operation of the airfield

in a manner that is accepted and supported by the local community.

Let us hope that the animosity and vigilantism being expressed on some social media platforms calms down. This will allow a more rational and evidencebased discussion about the **Tyabb Airfield Master Plan** and **Tyabb Air-field Aircraft Noise Management Plan** when they are eventually published.

General

In these modern times when life is so fast and on the move and we wonder where the time has gone, it may be good to just step back and take a deep breath and really look at why. Maybe it has something to do with the increase in personal electronic gadgets and the juggling of work, rest and play. Possibly the greatest influence in this modern world is the expansion in the use of social media; because it's here and now. What is wrong with that you ask. I would suggest that there is lots wrong with that. Lots of words are written in the heat of the moment, possibly without clear thought as to the consequences by people, when in the clear light of day, they may regret. Some of those people who read these comments could be offended, or at worst be otherwise affected by what is written. So, I would urge all who use all forms of social media to be clear and responsible in what you put to print.

> Stefan Berson President





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PUBLIC NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF SOME RESTRICTIONS ON OPEN AIR BURNING FOR OCTOBER 2019

Mornington Peninsula Shire's Open Air Burning Local Law regulates burning off outside of the Declared Fire Danger Period. In accordance with Clause 56 of the General Purposes Local Law 2012 – Part 7 Open Air Burning, Incinerators and Chirnneys, notice is hereby given that for the month of October 2019 the Municipal Fire Prevention Officer has removed some restrictions on Open Air Burning to enable landowners to light a fire in the open air for fire prevention purposes.

The changes to the Open Air Burning Local Law for October 2019 removes the previous land size restrictions that prohibited Open Air Burning on land less than 1,500 square metres without a permit from Council.

Open Air Burning is permitted on Fridays and Saturdays between the hours of 9:00am and 4:00pm on land less than 1,500 square metres provided that:

• No more than 1 cubic metre of vegetation is burnt at any one time,

 The fire is not within 10 metres of any neighbouring dwelling, and

 The General Fire Safety Provisions are followed at all times.

Current Open Air Burning regulations for land above 1,500 square metres and land above 40,000 square metres remain the same.

The removal of Open Air Burning restrictions on land of less than 1,500 square metres will come into effect on 1 October 2019 and expire on 31 October 2019.

For more information on the Open Air Burning Local Law and the altered regulations for October 2019 please call the Mornington Peninsula Shire's Environment Protection Unit on 5950 1050 or visit www.mornpen.vic.gov.au/ openairburning.

Friends of Oliver's Creek Bushland Reserve



Under the co-ordination of Yashmin Beaumont the first working bee for the new Friends of Oliver's Creek Bushland Reserve (FoOCBR) was an outstanding success. There was a great turnout of 15 friends, ranging from the vastly experienced survivors of earlier groups, to enthusiastic novices. The gentle guidance of the NatureLinks supervi-

sor, Regan Locket, kept everyone on the straight and narrow.

The weather was perfect and the result was a healthy workout, a lot of laughs and a mountain of Pittosporum, bridal creeper and weeds were cleared out. We also collected two bags of rubbish.

The reward for those who did not have to rush off was a tasty snack with scones with jam and cream to follow. Most importantly, every-one had fun.

The next working bee will be held on **Saturday, 9th November** starting at **10:00am**. This time we will meet at the shelter on the Mornington-Tyabb Road near the old Tennis courts (just west of the primary school). The gate will be open.



Thank you to all the volunteers; hope to see you again in November.

Yashmin Beaumont Co-ordinator

Clifford Drive Bushland Reserve

With spring warmth and recent rains the October working bee focused on spreading mulch and selected weeding. The Reserve is in splendid shape and a credit to the hardy group who first worked with the Shire to start the rehabilitation of this forgotten little haven.

A simple comparison shows what has been achieved over the past 11 years.

Do take the time to stroll through and enjoy the serenity.





Before

Now

Next Working Bee

The next working bee will be held on **Sunday, 6th October** at **9 Clifford Drive, Tyabb** at **10:00am** (near the picnic table). Keep an eye out for signs & a reminder in your letterbox. The last working bee of the year will be held on **Sunday, 1st December.**

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

Beware of Quarry Trucks Entering Jones Road



The junction with Pottery Rd and Jones Rd in Somerville is only controlled by a Give Way sign. As a consequence, the 40 tonne tip trucks with trailers routinely roll through onto Jones Rd without stopping. As they do so, when turning left, they cross the centre line and end up on the wrong side of the Jones Rd facing on-coming traffic. Although the speed limit on Jones Rd has been reduced to 60kph because of the quarry traffic, the risk of collision is unacceptable, we believe. Plans to upgrade the junction to accommodate the trucks with trailers have been approved by Council but implementation continues to be held up by the quarry owner's (Bayport Industries) unwillingness to sign up to the improvements.

Until such time as the upgrade to the junction is completed we are lobbying the relevant authorities to restrict the quarry trucks to single trucks without trailers so reducing the need for them to turn out onto the wrong side of Jones Rd.

In the meantime, please exercise extra caution approaching the intersection with Pottery Rd as an unexpected interaction with a 40 tonne truck can seriously upset your day.



AUSSIE BACKYARD BIRD COUNT - 21-27 OCTOBER 2019

Save the date - the Aussie Backyard Bird Count is back from 21-27 October 2019.

The #AussieBirdCount is a great way to connect with the birds in your backyard, no matter where your backyard might be — whether it's a suburban backyard, a local park, a patch of forest, a farm, down by the beach, or the main street of town.

All you need to take part is 20 minutes and your favourite outdoor space. As well as contributing to BirdLife Australia's knoweldge of Aussie Birds, you will have the chance to win some <u>great prizes!</u> Head to the website and register as a Counter today.

Register now at https://aussiebirdcount.org.au/

If you've taken part before and are registered for this year, why not spread the word and get your friends and family involved in this fun and simple all-ages event? And if you're a teacher, check out our Bird Count curriculum-based <u>lesson plans</u> to get your students (or the whole school!) involved.

If you have questions about the Aussie Backyard Bird Count, please head to our <u>FAQ page</u>, where you'll find more information about registering, participating, and troubleshooting.





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



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.

'No Charge' Green Waste Weekend



25th, 26th & 27th October

Dispose of your green waste for 'no charge' at all Council Resource Recovery Centres (tips) from Friday, 25th to Sunday, 27th October.

This weekend is for Shire residents or ratepayers only, with green waste to be delivered only from residential vehicles and trailers. No commercial vehicles or commercial green waste will be accepted. Proof of residency is required; for example, your driver's licence with your current address.

If past 'No Charge' green waste weekends are anything to go by there could be long delays, particularly at the beginning and end of each day.

Green waste includes all types of garden waste & untreated timber.



Tyabb Ratepayers Group will receive \$50 for every hire that nominates that they had seen the ad in this newsletter

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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 2019/2020. To join please complete your personal details below and send it to the group with your subscription remittance.

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Tyabb & District Ratepayers Group MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION 2019/2020 (October 1, 2019 - September 30th, 2020)

(Subscription only: \$10 per household)

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