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# Your Community, Your Voice

## Stay Home, Stay Safe

## President's Preamble

Welcome everyone to the Winter edition of your newsletter, and the continuing different way in which we are living our lives. Thankfully the restrictions are slowly easing, but we must still be mindful of doing our best to protect ourselves, our families and fellow residents.

There are three main things which we can do: wash or sanitise your hands at every opportunity, but especially when entering shops, coming back into your home, after using the toilet, before eating. Cough or sneeze into your elbow & if you use a tissue dispose of it immediately. The third thing we are the sanital told the sanital thing we are the sanital things we are the

tissue dispose of it immediately. The third thing we all need to do is to 'social distance'; as the *Police* sang - don't stand, don't stand, don't stand too close to me. I.5metres apart is the suggestion.

If we keep up all the good work we've done so far there shouldn't be a second spike, even though we are out and about more. Let's hope so.

Even though it has been very cold lately we're nearly at the shortest day of the year and after that it's a downhill run to Spring and Summer and the back end of a rather trying year.

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## General/Around Town

It's great to see the children out and about on their way to and from school. I'm sure they are very happy to be back seeing their friends and doing 'real' school rather than 'home school'. Well done to all the parents who took on a role they never thought they would have to undertake. I'm sure there is a new found appreciation of teachers. Is everyone up-to-date with the new way to do long division? It has definitely been an interesting time for everyone.

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### Coronavirus/COVID-19

We are now in Stage 2 as from 1st June and later in the newsletter there is a full list of what is allowable on the Mornington Peninsula. The Shire has been very good at keeping everyone informed as to what is allowable and what is not.

We are lucky over this side of the Peninsula that we don't seem to have had the huge influx of tourists that the western side has seen - not as many spider crabs in our area. It was interesting to see the number of fishing boats which came to Hastings on that first weekend. I'm not sure how much fish they caught as it was a very cold weekend.

## Grafitti

Yet again Tyabb recently saw a huge graffiti attack across the town. Just a reminder that Snap Send Solve is a great tool to use to report such vandalism.

It's not just Council who will deal with it, but whichever authority owns the grafittied structure; so, for instance power poles with graffiti will be reported to the relevant electricity company who will deal with it. When reporting graffiti or whatever to Snap Send Solve you don't

have to worry about who to report it to, it will automatically go to the correct authority.

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.

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## Town Plan & Tyabb Airfield Precinct Plan

Still no update regarding the next meeting of the CRG and, therefore, still no sight of a draft of the Airfield Master Plan and related Noise Management Plan.

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Stay safe, wash your hands & if you don't need to go out stay home & stay warm.

We are hoping that restrictions will be eased enough over the next few months that we can meet again in August.

#### TYABB DISTRICT RATEPAYERS GROUP

NEXT MEETING
All meetings are on hold
until the current restrictions are lifted

## **Recreational Vehicle Permits**

There has been a lot of chatter recently about recreational vehicles, mainly motorbikes, using private property around Tyabb and causing noise problems.

The Shire has local laws which deal with recreational vehicles and full details can be found on their website.



However, to give you an idea the General Purpose Local Law deems it an offence for a person to ride a recreational vehicle, either registered or unregistered, on any land except with a Local Law Permit.

Recreational vehicles cannot be ridden on land in a Residential I Zone, closer than 100 metres

from any neighbouring dwelling or other sensitive use or 25 metres from any neighbouring fence line.

No jumps or ramps may be constructed, emissions such as dust must be managed and noise levels must be less than 94dB(a) at one metre from the exhaust. Recreational vehicles cannot be driven in environmentally sensitive areas, eg., creek lines, remnant native vegetation areas, etc.

If you wish to ride such a vehicle you need a permit.

If you are being annoyed by these vehicles get in touch with the Shire on 1300 850 600



Please note that Scout and Cub programmes will be continuing on line for the remainder of this term & we will be back in the hall next term.



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## **Clifford Drive Bushland Reserve June 2020**

Due to Covid-19, restrictions there have been no working bees in the reserve since February. However, maintenance work has been carrying on conducted by Naturelinks and the Shire.

150 new plants have gone in at the southern end of the reserve, weed control along the creek has continued and the slippery boardwalk is now scheduled for resurfacing. In the meantime, we asked for some warning signs to be put up to avoid mishaps, and they arrived promptly.





Whilst we were grateful for the speedy service we felt that signs which warned "Slippery when Wet" might be more suitable. The Shire agreed and promptly erected additional signs. We felt these were a little over the top!

The Shire agreed but explained that these were all that were immediately available. We are promised some "Slippery when Wet" ones in the near future!

Working Bees resume in August so save Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 10 – noon in your diary for a bit of healthy outdoor exercise in the reserve with lunch to follow.

David Chalke President Friends of Clifford Drive Bushland Reserve



Our last newsletter wasn't delivered due to the virus lock-down. We included details about a new drop off point (in Somers) for TerraCycle - hard plastic that can't go in our recycle bins. Things like pens, electric toothbrushes, dish washing bottles, hair care and so on. If you would like this handy information, send an email and we can forward it to you. Previous newsletters can be found on our Ratepayers website: https://www.tyabbanddistrictratepayers.com/

## Olivers Creek Bushland Reserve June 2020

The Shire has been very busy over the last week and a bit, widening paths, adding new ones for easier vehicle access, restoring drainage and removing bitumen from the old tennis court to top up the paths. There are four new signs at Wellington Road, opposite Flood St, entrance from the school oval and the gated area we access on working bees. The wire fence has been removed near the old tennis court and all the way to the gate we come through.



Go and have a wander, you will be pleasantly surprised, it looks very different.



Sadly, the seat facing the creek at the back of the old tennis court had been tagged, but this has now been cleaned off. (Snap Send Solve working again!!)

Yashmin Beaumont President Friends of Olivers Creek Bushland Reserve



The Shire is inviting feedback on its Climate Emergency Plan titled **Ensuring Our Future**. The Plan provides a ten year map, including targets in a number of key areas:

- Leadership & governance
- ♦ Climate advocacy
- Zero carbon energy
- A resilient & adaptive community
- ♦ Sustainable travel & transport
- Sustainable land use and natural environment
- ♦ Circular economy & zero waste

A snapshot of the Plan and the full document can be found on the "Have Your Say" page on the Shire's website.

## Your Local Environment



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: <a href="mailto:tyabb">tyabb</a> and <a href="mailto:district">district</a> ratepayers@yahoo.com.au

Feel free to include any tips, comments and suggestions 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.

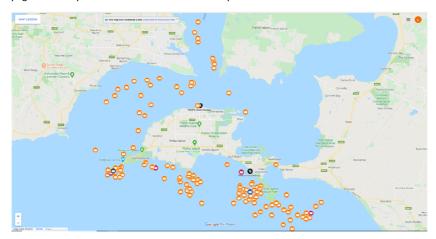
#### The whales are back!

This edition we look a bit further afield than our own backyards as it's time to celebrate a wonderful annual winter event - the return of whales to our region. People in the know await the arrival of the marine mammals as they move from the wild Southern Ocean into warmer waters along Australia's coastlines.

For many years, Victoria mostly missed out on seeing these whales, however over the past decade, whale numbers have grown and the migration of humpback whales regularly spills into the coastal waters of the state's two major bays, Port Phillip and Western Port. Whale watching tours are available from Phillip Island: <a href="https://www.wildlifecoastcruises.com.au/">https://www.wildlifecoastcruises.com.au/</a>

In order to learn more about the whales in our bays, the Dolphin Research Institute runs the Two Bays Whale project. Below are the recorded whale sightings. And you can learn how to spot them and how to record your sightings and more here: <a href="https://www.dolphinresearch.org.au/where-how-to-spot-whales/">https://www.dolphinresearch.org.au/where-how-to-spot-whales/</a>

There are Facebook pages too. Phillip Island Whale Watchers and Phillip Island Whale Watchers Live Alerts.



## Unusual bird sightings

There have been a couple of interesting bird sightings recently. Dramatic scenes unfolded in a back garden near Somerville Woolworths - a collared sparrowhawk (or perhaps a brown goshawk) killed and devoured a pigeon watched by the householder who managed to get a picture of the magnificent raptor.



(Pic collared sparrowhawk/brown goshawk)

The other unusual sighting was also in Somerville – a yellow form Crimson Rosella (Ssp flaveolus) a bird that inhabits areas of river red gum near the Murray in northern Victoria and southern NSW. It's not normally found this far south so the assumption is that it's probably a caged bird that has escaped.



(Pic: Yellow Crimson Rosella)



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## 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

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## Caring for our Community **Our COVID Roadmap**



Step 1

Step 2

Step 3

## What does this mean for us on the Peninsula?

Mornington Peninsula Shire is pleased to let you know many of our services are reopening. We are following State Government guidance and taking a staged approach. For now, our services will operate differently with shorter opening hours and limits on numbers and time spent at the service.

Go to our website or call customer service to find out exactly how each service will run during Step 2 of easing of restrictions.

We will provide an update about Step 3 easing of restrictions following the State Government's announcement on 22 June 2020.

Playgrounds, skate parks, outdoor spaces	The Briars	Pelican Park pool	
OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	
Sporting fields	Recreation centres	Libraries	
OPEN	CLASSES OUTSIDE	CLICK AND COLLECT, 9 JUNE	
Community houses	Mornington Peninsula Regional Gallery	Men's sheds	
ONLINE, REOPEN 13 JULY	ONLINE, REOPENS 1 JULY	CONTACT YOUR LOCAL SHED	
Visitor information centre 5950 1579	Youth services	Community halls	
ONLINE/PHONE SERVICE	MODIFIED SERVICE, 9 JUNE	OPEN FROM 13 JULY	
Customer Service Centres	Events (e.g. markets) on Shire owned land		
CLOSED FOR NOW	CANNOT OPERATE UNTIL RESTRICTIONS ARE EASED FURTHER		

For more information 9 5950 1000 mornpen.vic.gov.au/coronavirus

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