

# Tyabb & District Ratepayers



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## Your Community, Your Voice

### President's Preamble



Welcome one and all to the late winter edition of your newsletter. Daylight is getting longer, yet the weather keeps one guessing in true Melbourne style and hopefully for the snow lovers it continues to be cold and lots of that white stuff falls; just remember that spring is just around the corner. Hopefully all the shrub pruning has been done.

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#### Around Town

Here are some of the things that we are following up with the Shire:

- The Car Park/Peninsula Link signage in the median strip adjacent to Dennis Street is set too low which is a safety issue, as one can't see on-coming traffic when executing "U" turns across the openings in the median.
- The "Packing House" sign which mysteriously was relocated from near the traffic lights to the nature strip just before the United service station needs to be put back. It is confusing for tourists who follow the sign and turn into Dalton Drive.
- The unmade access drive to Bunguan Reserve from the kindergarten needs to be sealed; bearing in mind that the new changing rooms complex is almost finished, which means the traffic flow will be on the rise.
- With the commencement of the Friends of Oliver's Creek group, wouldn't it be a great idea to see them, in conjunction with Vic Roads, the Education Department and Tyabb Primary School, create a car park on the western end of the school oval. This would go a long way to alleviating the chaos at drop off and pick up times and more importantly make it safe for all road users.
- Due to the increase in traffic in both direction on Mornington-Tyabb Road, especially between the traffic lights and the Boes/Jones Road roundabout, one area that creates some angst is the entry to the Packing House. This is particularly so when heading west and getting stuck behind people waiting to turn right and the traffic backs up across the railway line. What we think is needed is a dedicated right turning lane, however when looking at the surroundings this may not be possible; so please take care and consider other motorists. We will ask some questions of various authorities as to whether this can be addressed.

- Work is continuing at the Guide Hall with its renovation and a big thanks must go to Pastor Rod Whitford of our local church for providing a space for the Guides to meet and continue their activities while waiting for the Shire to finalise a new meeting space, which we hear will be at the kindergarten complex.

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#### Road Safety

Just a gentle reminder following the two recent fatalities in Tyabb to stay safe. Don't drink and drive, don't drive if you are tired and don't use your phone while you are driving. We hear that there is a Police campaign moving down the Peninsula in an effort to reduce the spiralling road toll; so be aware of your abilities and surrounds whilst on the road.

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#### Tyabb Airfield

Over recent weeks there has been a considerable amount of ill-informed and inflammatory commentary about the attitude of the Tyabb & District Ratepayers Group regarding the Tyabb airfield. To dispel this misinformation, I can state authoritatively that the position of the Ratepayers Group has always been, and continues to be, to support the Council in its stated intention when it implemented the Tyabb Airfield and Environs Review in 2004, viz.:

*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*

Consequently the Ratepayers Group also enthusiastically endorses the conclusion of the 2017 Tyabb Airfield Precinct Plan (TAPP), viz.:

*The long-term sustainability of airfield operations is intrinsically linked to maintaining the amenity of the area.*

*The TAPP aims to provide the foundations to achieve a  
**"balanced, fair and sustainable co-existence"***

*between airfield operations and the amenity of the local community*

(bold in the original)

Claims to the contrary are without substance, deceptive and so should be disregarded.

**Stefan Berson**  
President

#### Dates To Remember

Fire Restrictions	Now lifted
Vietnam Veterans Day (Long Tan Day)	18th August
Fathers Day	1st September
Oliver's Creek Working Bee	14th September
School Holidays	20th September to 7th October
AFL Grand Final	28th September

**TYABB DISTRICT RATEPAYERS GROUP**

**TUESDAY, 13th August, 2019**


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

# Watson Ward Community meeting

Compared to previous ward meetings where perhaps a couple of dozen concerned residents attended, the meeting on July 1st had to be moved to Tyabb Hall to hold the passionate throng.

The meeting covered Ward issues for the first hour with the following hour and a half devoted to a highly charged exchange regarding the airfield.

It is clear that the current disagreement between the airfield operators and the Shire will ultimately only be resolved through due process and the law.

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Lifestyle Communities has announced that they have now formally lodged a planning application with Mornington Peninsula Shire for a new over 50s community in Tyabb. The details are not yet available, so keep an eye on the Shire's Planning Register. There will be consultation with local residents and businesses during the planning process.

## The New Friends of Oliver's Creek Bushland Reserve Off To A Flying Start

As announced in the last Ratepayers newsletter, a new Friends Group has been formed to help improve the 15 hectare Oliver's Creek Bushland Reserve in Tyabb. A mixture of locals who had grown up with the Reserve and newcomers to the district who were intrigued to discover the Reserve's hidden mysteries attended the inaugural meeting on site on Sunday, 21st July.

The volunteers were welcomed by Watson Ward Councillor Julie Morris and members of the Shire's Natural Systems team led by Volunteer Officer Hannah Brown. They emphasised the crucial contribution that volunteers make to rehabilitating and maintaining Reserves across the Shire.



Bathed in late-Winter sunshine, hopefully an omen for working bees to come, the volunteers explored the extensive reserve. Insights into the history of the area and some its secrets were shared by a number of locals. This included the remains of the old Scout Camp Farnie, as well as a traditional Aboriginal watering hole, which

is spring fed, providing water all year round.

During the tour there was a great deal of reminiscing about childhood adventures in the Reserve and enthusiastic chatter about removing Pittosporums, nightshades and Bridal Creeper; all to be targets for future weeding operations. As a result an outline of a Friends Group working plan was sketched out and will be integrated with the Shire's plans by the Natural System team.

The coordinator of the Friends Group will be Oliver's Creek local Yashmin Beaumont. The Friends agreed to meet for a Working Bee once every two months on the second Saturday of every odd numbered month. The first Working Bee will be on Saturday, 14th September from 10:00am to noon. Meeting point will be the entrance off Wellington Road.



With such an enthusiastic start from a couple of dozen prospective Friends, it would be great to see even more new Friends at the first Working Bee. No experience required and all tools and equipment is provided by the Shire, including coffee and biscuits!

For further information call  
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## Gas Import Jetty and Pipeline Project

# Community Drop-In Sessions

August 2019

**Learn about project updates and speak with technical specialists about the latest planning work carried out to date at our upcoming community drop-in sessions.**

AGL and APA are preparing an Environment Effects Statement (EES) for the Gas Import Jetty and Pipeline Project. To support the EES, AGL and APA have commissioned a series of independent specialists to assess potential environmental impacts resulting from the Project.

We are in the process of completing a number of technical investigations and have updated the gas pipeline alignment since our last community sessions in February and March. We will share these updates and seek your feedback.

Technical specialists will be available to answer your questions and provide information about the studies carried out to date. AGL and APA representatives will also be on hand to collect feedback and help you stay informed about the Project.

## Gas Import Jetty and Pipeline Project

# Community Drop-In Sessions

We are holding five drop-in sessions from 24 August to 3 September 2019

### Session Details

#### Hastings

📅 Saturday 24 August 2019

🕒 10.30am – 12.30pm

📍 Hastings Community Hub

1973 Frankston-Flinders Road, Hastings



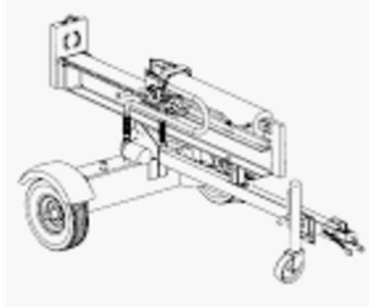
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To start using this service just download it from your app store. Once you have made a report to Council or whoever they will reply with a case number. It's a great idea and works so well.

## Community Information Session

### Draft Marine Industry Precinct Analysis Report

Council is holding an information session about a draft report that proposes the development of a Marine Industry Precinct.

The information session will be structured so that the community can hear from and ask questions of Shire Officers in the planning, traffic and infrastructure areas.

#### Location:

Somerville Recreation Centre

#### Date:

Wednesday, 14th August

#### Time:

6pm - 7:30pm

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