

South Arm Peninsula Newsletter

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South Arm welcomes a New Business

It is exciting for the peninsula community to be welcoming a new business in South Arm—especially for a service that most people travel further afield. With 15 years experience under her belt, hairdresser Laura Strugnell has taken the opportunity to open a business with partner Peter - swapping the Gold Coast for South Arm. **MJ's Hair Design** is now open on the main street in South Arm and appointments can be made for Wednesdays through to Saturdays. Laura is hoping to offer late night appointments (after 5) if there is sufficient demand. Show your support and drop by for your next hair cut...or just to say hello! **Phone: 6239 9612**

2013 Iron Pot Big Bash Cricket Game

The 3rd annual grudge match between South Arm and Opossum Bay will be held at the Calverton Oval on the long weekend in March, Monday 11th from 10:00am. This year we will be raising money for the Red Cross Fire Victim Appeal. The series is currently tied with Opossum Bay winning the first game in 2011. South Arm bounced back with a resounding victory to win the Iron Pot Trophy in 2012. So the scene is set for a thrilling game this year. Andrew McCormack, captain, coach and public relations manager for Opossum Bay has forewarned South Arm that the Opossum Bay are all fired up to win and have already commenced intense training. South Arm spokesperson and match organiser, Tony Spruce has stated that "the South Arm Sharks don't need to train as we have superior talent." Just like last year there will be a junior game for the kids commencing at 10:00am with the main game (The Big Boys Bash) starting at 1:00 pm. Interested South Arm players should contact Tony Spruce on 0414 702 984 and Opossum Bay players contact Andrew McCormack on 0409 545 115. It is a family picnic day with the South Arm Fire Brigade catering for a BBQ. Everyone is welcome.

South Arm Peninsula - Show us your arts!

The South Arm Art & Craft Exhibition is on again in July this year. Over the last four exhibitions, we've not only showcased and celebrated an amazing array of local talent, we've raised around \$15,000 for Legacy (Tasmania). It's been obvious (and a crying shame) just how much talent is hidden away on our Peninsula and so it's time to uncover it and share with the world.

Whether you're a professional or create just for the fun and love of it and no matter what your age, your special artistic endeavours ought to be shared. Painting, sketching, sculpting, felting, woodwork, embroidery, beadwork, ceramics, glasswork, metalwork, fabricwork, jewellery, basketry, photography or any other sort of art or craft – all welcome so start working now!

Entry forms will be available in a month or so but if you'd like to be put on the mailing list, please contact one of the organisers below. **Like to help?** Many hands make light work and if you can help in any way whatsoever, even just a little bit, we'd love to hear from you!

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Clarence Jazz Festival

Sunday 17 February
Concert at Cremorne Beach
from 6pm-8pm
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Clarence City Council is pleased to present this feature concert on the beautiful Cremorne Beach. With two flavours of local jazz; Fair Weather's flighty instrumentals and soaring vocals by Rachael Taylor and Swingtime, one of our most solid traditional jazz bands. The lovely summer evening will be perfectly accompanied by a barbecue and wine bar so bring your picnics, blankets and settle in for some swinging tunes. Bellerive Rotary will provide the bar and BBQ. **Visit www.ccc.tas.gov.au for the full Clarence Jazz Festival program.**



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ABOUT THIS NEWSLETTER

The South Arm Peninsula News is produced bi-monthly and distributed throughout the South Arm Peninsula community which is inclusive of areas around Sandford, Cremorne, Clifton Beach, South Arm and Opossum Bay.

The newsletter was initiated by the South Arm Peninsula Residents Association (SAPRA) and continues to be supported financially by SAPRA. Please note the opinions expressed in articles in are not necessarily the views of the Committee.

Both groups and individuals are welcome to submit notices, general articles or other contributions. Guidelines for all contributions are available from the editor, contact Annaliese Caney at 6248 8441 | annaliesecaney@hotmail.com. Space is provided for advertising, contact Kerry Scambler on 6248 9302 or kerry@smsaccounting.com.au.

CLOSING DATE: Contributions for the next issue due **Wednesday 13 March.**



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For all emergencies ALWAYS CALL 000 do NOT call members of the Community Emergency Response Team or Fire Brigade. This could result in unnecessary delays and stress for all.

A safer efficient South Arm road

South Arm Road will be upgraded from early January, to improve safety and efficiency. The Tasmanian company, Venarchie Contracting Pty Ltd, has won the contract worth almost \$850,000. The project involves shoulder widening for 2.2 kilometres between Lauderdale and Sandford, to help prevent cars driving into the gravel and losing control. The Infrastructure Minister, David O'Byrne, said it'll also improve junctions and provide right-hand-turn lanes at Forest Hill Road. "This is a busy road that connects several communities on Hobart's eastern shore," Mr O'Byrne said. "A strategic investment like this boosts safety and efficiency." "We're focussed on saving lives by investing in better roads, technology and driver education." "Every project we support through the Road Safety Levy is based on thorough research and the best evidence available," he said. The Government's already invested \$1.1million widening road shoulders from Sandford to Cremorne. Motorists are urged to slow down through the area, and obey all road signs for safety reasons. The upgrades are expected to be finished by March.

[David O'Byrne, Minister for Infrastructure, 28/12/2012]

'Avenue' of Red Flowering Gums

Have you noticed the different growth rates? I wonder what Jim is feeding his adopted trees! The trees that have been in about 3 years look particularly handsome coming into Opossum Bay now. *Which will be the first to flower?*

On a sadder note some people have neglected their little adopted trees. This is cruel weather folks, please give you tree regular water. A good soak with a bucket of water once a week (or a 2 litre bottle twice a week as a bar minimum) in this **very** dry weather. Don't forget to report to Richard (6239 9739) if there is a problem. You will need to make sure the water stays near the tree, so you can't just pour and run. Perhaps it will need a little banking and a little weeding. Keep an eye out for snakes. The other day three volunteers spent 3.5 hours watering the neglected trees and they don't have the time to do that on a regular basis.



In Autumn we are planning to replace the trees that haven't survived. We are also trying to organise the continuation of the Red Flowering Gum 'avenue' between the South Arm Shop and the RSL and hope this can be done in Autumn too.

Richard Vaughan | 6239 9739 | SAPRA

Rainfall	Cremorne	Opossum Bay	Sandford	South Arm
November 2012	35.0 mm	39.6 mm	40.0 mm	36.0 mm
December 2012	27.0 mm	16.4 mm	19.5 mm	13.0 mm
2012 Year to Date	429.25 mm	524.4 mm	546.0 mm	461.5 mm
2011 Year to Date	498.25 mm	645.1 mm	645.5 mm	558.0 mm
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Cremorne was declared a town on 12 October 1959 although it had been settled long before that

when Sgt. James McCauley and his wife Maria were granted land sometime before 1819. To mark proclamation day the Cremorne Community Group (CCG) ran a series of events culminating in the unveiling of our "Welcome to Cremorne" sign at the beginning of the village. The assembled residents then followed a piper through the village to the Beach Reserve for a long table lunch. As it was such a successful day the CCG intends to celebrate Cremorne's Proclamation Day annually. To learn more about the history of white settlement at Cremorne you can go to our website; cremorne.tas.au and click on "Our History".

The community joined together with the children's Christmas group and the CCG for an evening BBQ on the summer solstice, Friday 21 December, to decorate the community Christmas tree, and to welcome Santa, who arrived on the Sandford fire truck and distributed presents to the kids of Cremorne. Both events were made possible by donations from members of the community and through community grants from Clarence City Council, the CCG is very grateful for these contributions.

Become a member—To help us maximise our role we urge you to join the Cremorne Community Group Inc (CCG). Our annual individual membership is \$5. This fee helps us to cover some of our administrative costs and occasional newsletter. The Committee meets monthly and any member is welcome to attend, however we recognise that not all members want to come to meetings but if you let us know how you can contribute, we keep a list that we can refer to when we need help.

Staying in Touch

Have you looked at the Cremorne Community website at www.cremorne.tas.au. This website has been produced through an initiative of the Australian Government which allows community based domain names to be

used to enhance community use of the internet. The CCG manages the Cremorne site and it is available for all local groups, local businesses and individuals to promote and provide information about themselves. It also provides information about community events and Cremorne generally. We distribute an occasional CCG Newsletter through your letterbox unless you indicate otherwise. Should you have any items of interest that you would like included in the Newsletter please contact us at the CCG email; ccg@cremorne.tas.au

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Volunteering for your Parks

We have gardens in South Arm (behind Calverton Hall) and in Opossum Bay (near the shop and near the toilets) that need a bit of tender loving care. It makes such a difference to the gardens as Council can only do the basics. We have a regular time for the Opossum Bay garden (9 – 10am, Tuesday morning); but you can offer to do a bit of weeding, or pruning, or mulch spreading at any of these gardens at any time that is convenient for you. Annette is doing a bit of weeding once a week at the South Arm Garden; Stuart does a bit of watering; Rae and Richard work on Tuesday morning; Robin, Paul and John pitch in when required. We have a group (contacted by email) poised to help when we want to do a major task on the South Arm garden; weed mat and gravel on the path is one job coming up. **Continued p. 7.**

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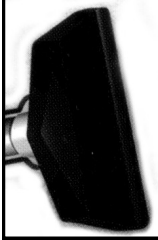
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The aim of this regular walk is to socialise dogs and meet friends old and new. We have had some new puppy 'kids on the block' join us this year, and they are blending in very happily. New friendships have also been formed amongst the two legged participants. All are welcome to come and join us—see page 12 for details.

Bus Fare Increases

Metro has advised that some changes to passenger fares took place on 6 January 2013. Generally adult fares in urban areas have increased 20 cents a trip although concession and student fares remain the same. Most adult and concession fares around South Arm have also increased. Please remember fares are discounted by 20% when using a Greencard. **For more information please contact Metro on 13 22 01.**

Soup & Sandwich Lunch

Held midday at Calverton Hall. 2013 dates are: February 18, March 18, April 15, May 20, June 17, July 15, August 19, September 16, October 21, November 18 and December 9 for a Christmas function. **See listing on p. 12.**

South Arm Fire Brigade

We are now in the middle the fire season and as we all know it's been a really bad one so far. The Brigade has provided crews to help with the Forcett fire, working down at Eaglehawk Neck and Primrose Sands/Dunalley.

During the busy bushfire season, fire danger ratings forecast for Tasmania will be available on the Bureau of Meteorology

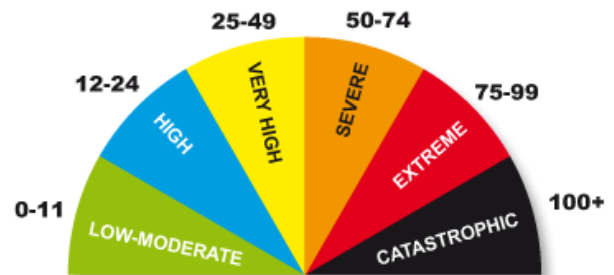
website, the Tasmania Fire Service website and on the weather page of Tasmania's daily newspapers. You should listen for warnings on ABC Radio or check the TFS website at www.fire.tas.gov.au to find out where fires are burning. Power supplies and phones are very likely to fail in a bushfire. If power fails, listen to fire updates on your car radio.

During Fire Danger Levels of Catastrophic, Extreme, Severe, and Very High you should frequently check conditions outside your home. If smoke is blowing towards you, a fire is approaching and you should leave immediately by a safe route, away from the fire. TFS and Tasmania Police will do their very best to issue a warning if an evacuation is required, but wildfires can move very quickly so please don't wait for the official warning. If ash or burning embers are landing in your yard, the fire is very close and it may be too late to leave. If this is the case, take shelter in your home. Fill your bath and all available containers with water, and actively defend your home by using the water to put out any parts of your home that catch fire. Alternatively and if time allows, go immediately to a nearby safe place.

The Tasmanian Fire Service has a number of booklets/brochures to help you prepare, these are available via their website <http://www.fire.tas.gov.au/Show?pageId=colPublications> or by contacting the Brigade.

The Fire Permit season was declared just before Christmas.

Glynis Heather | Brigade Secretary | 6239 9564



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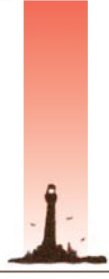
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Reserve Activity Plan (RAP) for Blessington Street Coastal Reserve

You will be pleased to hear it's still progressing. Phil Watson from the Clarence Council advises that, a brochure will be circulated to South Arm and Opossum Bay residents to give them the key findings of the RAP and inviting them to comment on the draft, located at the CCC Website. If you haven't received a pamphlet by the end of February, check the website, or ring the Council. Phil Watson is still keen to hear about Eastern Barred Bandicoot sightings, particularly in that area, and he would also like to know the birds that are regularly seen along there. You can contact him by ringing the Council or email on pwatson@ccc.tas.gov.au

Cremorne Bowls Club

We have had a season of mixed results. The men have struggled due to illness and absence and so the Division 2R team is 7th and this has meant the Division 5 team has at time struggled to field a team and so their 4th position is commendable. Special thanks to Don McVilly and Geoff Doyle who have been recruited at the last minute. The women though have had an exceptional year and are on top of the ladder and Kay Wood is the leading skip in the club. This shows what can be done with constant practice. Congratulations to a former Cremorne player Connor Munnings who is a member of the winning State Junior Fours. This has been a result of Cremorne actively encouraging the younger bowlers. Any junior who would like to try the game is always welcome.

The Barefoot bowlers continue to enjoy the social aspect of the competition although there are a few who take it seriously. When the season end gets closer it will be interesting to see who is top of the Ladder. At the moment the experienced bowlers from Lauderdale look good but why Keenan Hodge needed two hams is still questionable. Coming events:

1. American Tea & giant sale of goods from the area. Monday 25 February.
2. 50th Anniversary — an event for former and present members.
3. Indoor Bowls starts after Daylight savings. Wednesday evenings.

Glen Bremner



SAPRA AGM

Due to circumstances beyond our control the SAPRA AGM proposed for November 2012 was postponed and we are now planning for a late February/early March AGM. Notices will be placed in shops as soon as a date can be confirmed by the Committee. Nominations are therefore still open to join the SAPRA Committee with all positions open for anyone interested. Or, if you can't or would prefer not to join the Committee in a formal sense but would still like to help out in various ways, please do contact one of the Committee members and let us know—details page 2.

We look forward to having another productive year working for and with our community.

Biggest Pumpkin on the Peninsula

How is your pumpkin growing? It will need plenty of food and water over the coming hot months. The Garden Club and the Market Committee are running a Big Pumpkin competition with the winner to be selected at the market on 5 May 2013.



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A note of thanks to the community

Over the past week I have been overwhelmed by the generosity of the local community. A group of us have been busy collecting all your donations of money and goods, and organising their delivery to those who need them the most. I would like to take this opportunity to express my heart felt thanks to the community for the amazing generosity you have shown. I would also like to share with you where all your donations have flowed to. Our initial donation run was big enough to fill my entire seven seater car, with only room for myself - I could barely squeeze the camera in it was so full! We had everything from clothes, blankets and linen, to non-perishable foods, toiletries, baby accessories, and even a walking stick! There was also a combined sum of approximately \$200 collected in the local shops, which I duly took to the supermarket and spent on necessary supplies, including water, nappies, baby wipes, dog and cat food. I ran this lot into town where I'd arranged to meet up with some lovely people who intended to sail supplies to the Peninsula. Sid, Jodie, Kyran and Melanie loaded all your awesome donations onto their yacht and delivered your them to the Nubeena jetty that evening. The next load of donations went out soon after. Cremorne became a temporary loading point for boats running supplies down to the Peninsula, and we ran the next load there. Donations of milk and ice from the Opossum Bay Store headed down with more supplies from our generous community - more blankets, a lot more food, more toiletries, a couple of slabs of beer, and a very generous serve of south arm grown potatoes were amongst the donations in this run. Wonderful volunteers unloaded my car, and these dedicated people stayed down at the jetty for hours co-ordinating supplies being loaded onto boats. But I had no time to hang around. I had another \$200 of generous donations from our local community to spend. This money, coupled with \$200 from the donation jar at BP Lauderdale, went to the Animal Tuckerbox in Mornington, where it was invested in much needed food supplies for poultry, sheep and rabbits, and some specifically requested first aid equipment for horses. Animal Tuckerbox offered a

discount (more bang for your buck) and were also running supplies out directly, so they organised the transport of this load.

Still not done with donating, the community filled my car yet again with food, toiletries and blankets, which were dropped off to the Foodbank in Cambridge, who are organising hampers and running them directly down to the Peninsula in their truck. Edward from the Foodbank was thrilled with your donation, and has also put out a call for volunteers. He says that as things quiet down, the need increases while the volunteers subside. I would urge you, if you have a spare afternoon, to go and give him a helping hand. They do a marvellous job.

We are, of course, still collecting. I will run your donations to wherever they need to go for as long as they are needed and for as long as our local community keep donating. The Foodbank, I understand, are in need of money to invest in generators, power boards and other expensive equipment that needs to be bought new, and, failing a more urgent need, this is where the next monetary donation will be delivered, as too will future food donations as the Peninsula opens and the urgency to deliver by boat subsides.

I cannot thank you all enough for everything you have done. With our small contribution, we chip in to make a big difference to the lives of people who have lost everything. I feel so incredibly proud to be Tasmanian, and especially proud to be part of the wonderful, generous and inspirational community of the South Arm Peninsula. Thank you everyone, and please...keep it coming!

Jo Malcomson



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History & Heritage

Some time ago I wrote about pinkeye potatoes being grown in South Arm around 1914, I have since read the story about the late Mr. George Alomes growing pinkeye's for the Hobart Market in December 1891. Some specimens he produced at the time weighing almost one pound each goes to show just how fertile the soil was then. On the passing of George Alomes the property passed to his sons Edward and Leslie. Later my mother and father who inherited the farm all continued the growing of pinkeye's plus several other varieties. By 1930-50 most if not all farmers in South Arm were growing pinkeye's. It reached the stage that the one freight carrier Mr. Vere Calvert was making two trips to Hobart on Tuesdays and Thursdays with Monday of each week set aside to take cattle and sheep etc. to the Sorell stock sale or to the Derwent Abettors. The demand for pinkeye's was so great some shop keepers would meet Mr. Calvert on arrival in town to take delivery prior to delivering to other firms. By so doing he was also setting an agreed price for the market otherwise the price was set when sold at auction. The pinkeye's were in such demand that some shop keepers would send their truck down to South Arm on Sunday afternoon to pick up a load and would have the vegetables on sail early Monday morning in Hobart. By 1945 several growers purchased their own trucks so as to supply the potatoes, lettuces, peas, & beans etc., so as to catch the early market in Hobart. Farmers started to try growing pinkeye's all the year round, there has been some success with this provided you had some elevated ground preferably on the side of a hill to get the early morning sun and beat the frosts in winter. Over the last few years we now see pinkeye's that are being grown in many areas of Tasmania. The ones I see in the big super markets now have the appearance they are being grown in very heavy black soil, these have that dark grey skin, whereas the South Arm grown pinkeye has that cream colour. If you see any with the entire skin rubbed look like they are peeling this is because they have been dug by a machine. I grew pinkeye's myself for some years and the shop keepers we supplied insisted that we do not leave any soil on the product and that they be covered when being delivered with the green tops to keep them fresh, potatoes at that time were sold in apple cases. These days the product is in cardboard boxes, we now see when opened in the shops there all covered in lots of sand, presentation seems to have been done away with. Watch for any sign of green appearing on the skin an indication they have been uncovered subject to much light, it is very important they be covered when stored for any period of time. Water is the important part of a successful crop being grown and not using the same ground each time, if you can avoid it. From past records of 1918-20 rain fall in South Arm was reported being so heavy that crops of peas, beans and hay being flattened to the ground, the apples, pears, peaches all dropping from the trees.

(Note) I have not had any feedback or suggestions for Spring Beach.


Maurice Potter

Continued p. 3.

The Joey Scouts and Cub Scouts planted out the garden in the car park next to the Opossum Bay toilets. Council supplied the plants and Coastcare supplied soil and direction.



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Stories from the Seashore

(Things that make our Peninsula special)

South Arm Beach does not offer many surprises, although there was a dead sea-lion once. So early one morning when I saw the black blob in the distance my mind conjured up all sorts of wonderful things. Was it alive? It appeared to be moving. For quite some time as I walked towards it I was puzzled, but as I got close the 'movement' revealed itself to be black birds milling about. Eventually my looming presence worried them enough to take off and they did so in a line. First one, then another, and another, followed each other out close to the surface of the water. The black blob slowly unravelled off the beach into a thin line of birds, it looked like a ball of black wool being undone. Finally they formed a true v-shaped skein. A check in my bird book later revealed them to be Little Black Cormorants and I saw them flying past quite a few times after that, nearly always in a skein.

Rae Calvert

Weekend Water Safety Patrols at Clifton Beach

Club volunteer lifesavers are providing safety 'between the red and yellow flags on weekends for the surfing public at Clifton Beach right through January/February and March. Remember to look for the red and yellow flagged area which identifies the safe/patrolled area. If you want to enjoy some fun in the surf under the protection of lifesavers, then come down to Clifton Beach this summer.

Sponsorship. Two local businesses have provided valuable sponsorship funds to assist in the purchase of much needed rescue equipment. Long-time supporter Roger Burman of Burman Pools and Dr John Saul through Lauderdale Surgery and the Hobart Skin Cancer Clinic have helped in the purchase of two soft rescue boards to assist with training and patrol work. The soft rescue boards are much more user friendly for younger lifesavers, being lighter and more maneuverable than fiberglass models.

Nippers is back in full swing on Sunday mornings now that the festive season has finished. If you have children keen on the surf environment Clifton Beach SLSC Nippers program is a great way to ensure kids develop the confidence, understandings and skills to enjoy this wonderful environment.

Building Project. The much anticipated building re-development is now well underway at Clifton Beach. Macquarie Builders are busy on site. It is hoped the club house work will be completed in time for the State Titles in March.

State Championships. Clifton Beach will host the Tasmanian Surf Life Saving Championships over the March 16/17 weekend. Remember to put this date in your diary and come along to witness the great action.

Visit www.cliftonbeachslsc.com.au

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South Arm Community Centre



During the latter half of 2012 the Community Centre slowly came to life and now has all the makings of a busy community hub. The centre became home to creative writing classes, art and drawing, as well as yoga. It hosted school holiday activities and the peninsula's history was displayed for all to see (along with a few stray artefacts from the Pink Ladies!). It also threw open its doors to house the market which has rapidly spread across the grounds with the introduction of car boot sellers and drawing strong crowds to the area each month.

In 2013 the Community Centre is open for business and we look forward to bringing you activities and events through the year. If anyone would like to help out with the administration or organisation of the centre, please contact a member of the SAPRA committee—details on page 2. If you would like to hire the centre, please contact the Treasurer, Kerry Scambler on 6248 9302 or email kerry@smsaccountnig.com.au

Picture — Art Class of 2012 by Blackpaw Photography.

Community Market

The market has started the year with great times and is proving to be lovely way to spend a morning. In January our friends of the RSL Sub Branch had a raffle for the Tasmanian fire victims and it was won by a gentleman from Lauderdale, who said it was his first time at the market, and he said he would tell his friends what a great market it is! Looking forward to see everyone at the market soon. For all enquiries please call Pam on 62489852.

A glimpse from a bygone era

The Happy Hunters- (My Father- Joseph Lord)

My Father loved to go hunting. I remember one Sunday Dad and my brother Colin set out early in the morning in our old T-Model Ford for heir favourite rabbit warren near the Jordan River. After hustling out a few rabbits the ferret must have felt he'd earned a rest so promptly went to sleep in the burrow. My brother dug and dug to no avail. Finally he said, "It's no use dad we've lost him."

Dad knelt down, cupped his hands to his mouth near the rabbit hole and called the ferret all the foul names he could lay his tongue to! To Colin's amazement out popped the ferrets head from the burrow. He was quickly scruffed by the neck and taken home by the *Happy Hunters*. **By Louisa Smith (creative writing class, pictured)**



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South Arm Coastcare

Happy New Year! New Year's Resolution = give a small amount of time to your local community and the environment. Many thanks to all those wonderful people who pick up litter on the beach and roadsides on a regular basis. It makes an amazing difference to our community.

We have a new management structure that has been in place for a year and have achieved much during that time:

- removing Cape Wattle, Broom, Purple Ragwort, Tree Lupins, Climbing Groundsel and that rotten Boneseed;
- joining with other groups to plant the South Am Garden (beside Calverton Hall), the Scouts to plant a new garden in Opossum Bay and the South Arm School to plant on Arm End;
- cleaning up Maryanne Bay and later the Neck on Clean up Australia Day;
- watering school plantings, South Arm Garden and Opossum Bay Gardens;
- joining with other groups to celebrate Arm End; and
- helping the Council prepare a Reserve Activity Plan for the Blessington Street Coastal Reserve (see p. 5).

We usually meet on the last Sunday of the month, 10am at different locations around the Peninsula. Give Rae (6239 9342) or Richard (6239 9739) a call to find out

where we're meeting. Next working bee is the exception to the rule as the February Working Bee is postponed to 3 March so we can participate in Clean Up Australia Day—see notice on p. 7.

Rae Calvert | Co-ordinator

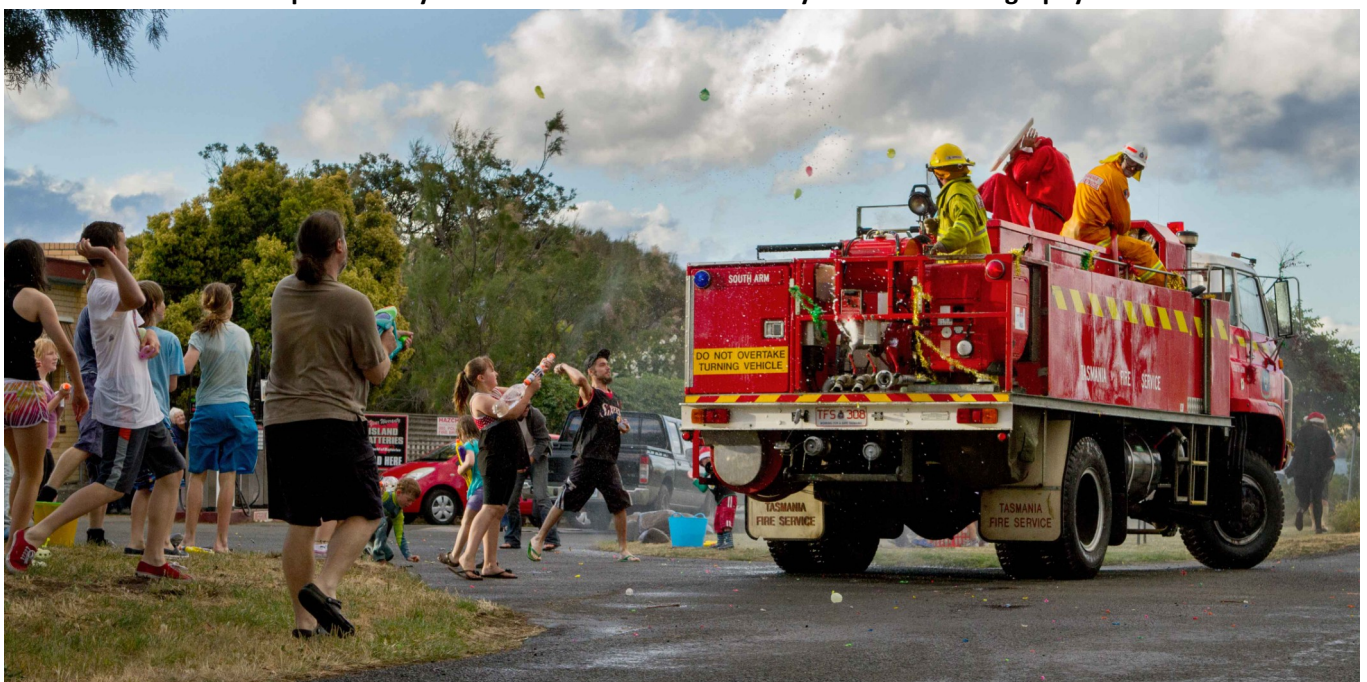
Cremorne Playgroup

We hope everyone has enjoyed the festive season and is continuing to have some summer fun. Playgroup begins again on Monday 18 February (the Monday prior to that is Regatta Day). To make the most of the summer sun we will hold the two February playgroups in the park as it proved very popular during the warmer days in December (especially as the weather didn't allow too many winter playgroups in the park). It will also give us time to organise the opening and craft roster for the new year. We look forward to seeing familiar and new faces.

Pipe Clay Coastcare - Bushfire Appeal Quiz Night

Success. A phenomenal \$3,800 was raised from the quiz night hosted by the Cremorne Bowls Club. The event was organised by the Pipe Clay Coastcare Group and greatly helped out by the Cremorne Community Group. All proceeds will go towards the Red Cross Bushfire Appeal. Many thanks to all who participated before and on the night.

Opossum Bay v Santa — 24 December 2012 by BlackPaw Photography



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South Arm Cabin Retreat

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Bible Discussion

Fridays 10.30am at Jane Beavan's. Ph: 6239 9244

Monday evenings, 7:00pm.

Non denominational Bible discussion.

Enq: Paul & Wendy Fenton 6239 9234

Bridge

Tuesday, 7:30pm. Phone: Noela 6239 9172

Church Events

Gardening at St Barnabas. First Monday of each month at 9.30am. Enq: Jane 6239 9244

Church Services

St Barnabas, South Arm, Sundays at 5:00pm with a weekly children's program. Meal following every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

St Martins, Sandford, Sundays at 8:00am.

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Clifton Beach Surf Life Saving Club

Membership, sponsorship & clubhouse inquiries: President-Craig Sly, Sandford, 0418 136 470; Vice President- Maree van Galen, Clifton Beach, 6248 8465; Denise & Ron Kelly, South Arm, 6239 9283; Shayne Clark, Sandford, 6248 9101 or visit www.cliftonbeach@slst.asn.au

Coastcare

Mortimer Bay. 1st Sunday of the month, 9:30-11:30am. Ph: Leanne 0408 498 468

Pipeclay. Meets 10:00am 3rd Sunday in park opposite shop in Cremorne. Ph: Rachel Viney 0439 373 383 or 6248 9498 and visit www.cremorne.tas.au

South Am. Last Sunday of the month, 10am at the end of Spitfarm Rd. No December meeting. Ph: Rae 6239 9342

Wildcare—Deslacs (Clifton). info@wildcaredeslacs.org

Craft Group

2nd, 4th & 5th Tuesday of the month 12.30—3:00pm at Calverton Hall. \$2 per session. Ph: Leslie Gore 6239 9321

Cremorne Bowls Club

All welcome. Contact Glenn on 6248 9856 after 4.30pm or contact glennbrem@netspace.net.au

Cremorne Community Group Inc

www.cremorne.tas.au|ccg@cremorene.tas.au. To receive newsletters and information about the group contact Conventor, Vicki Pearce: 0418 992 891 or vicki_pearce@hotmail.com or Secretary, Brian Bennett: 0417 444 389 or bhbennett@bigpond.com

Dog and Owner Walk

Saturday, 8:00am on beach below Saltair Crt, 8.30am approx at Half Moon Bay. Ph: Jane 6239 9244

Fire Brigade

South Arm Fire Station—2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:30pm. Fire Captain: 6239 9412

Sandford Fire Station—Training each Monday 7:30 in summer and every second Monday in winter. Contact Dave Williams, Brigade Chief, 0417339553

Friends of Opossum Bay Park

Plant, plan, weed and chat at Opossum Bay Park. Tuesdays 9-10am daylight savings (10-11am over winter). Enq: Dick 6239 9739 or Rae 6239 9342

Garden Club

Meets 1st Monday after South Arm Market at St Barnabas Church Hall, 4:00pm. No meeting for January. Ring Barbara 6239 9897 or Dot 6239 9190.

Heartmoves

Gentle Exercise, Wednesdays, 2pm at 1544 South Arm Road, Sandford. Contact Jenny 6248 9125 | 0417 489 145

Indoor Bowls

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Karate

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Market

1st Sunday of the month at the South Arm Community Centre, 9am—1pm. For site and car boot bookings and all enquiries: Pam 6248 9852

Playgroup

Monday, 10am —noon. \$2.50, bring a piece of fruit. Held at the Cremorne Bowls Club. Contact Bron: 6248 8067 or Jodie: 6237 0720 & visit www.cremorne.tas.au

SAPRA Committee Meeting

2nd Tuesday in the month, 7:30pm at the South Arm Community Centre. Guests welcome—contact a committee member to arrange.

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South Arm RSL Sub-Branch Inc.

General Meeting 4pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the RSL. Contact Terry Roe 0400 140 870 or email troey1@bigpond.com

Tai Chi @ South Arm

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Reminder!

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Many thanks and a Happy New Year