



# South Arm Peninsula News

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## Student Art Sparkles in the Garden

It's not just nature blooming in the Iron Plot Community Garden, creativity from young minds has just added another colourful layer.

Two poles showcasing artworks by students from South Arm Primary have taken pride of place amongst the plants and trees.

This creative collaboration began with a range of materials being donated to the school. A piece of board carefully cut to size and pre-drilled, ready for decoration, was also provided for each student.

From here the students set their creative spirits free and the result is a fascinating mix of colours and textures on each board which then perfectly combine on the poles.

Thank you to the Plotter who initiated the project and to all who helped this project along the way - the donors of a wide range of materials, the Plotters in the garden, David Howard and those who assisted in the school community - Principal Stu Warren, Art Teacher Bec Miller and Groundsman Cam Kerlake.

And lastly a huge thank you to the children of South Arm Primary School who worked so hard to bring this installation to fruition. We all think you are amazing, as is your beautiful work!

*STOP PRESS: the students have since visited the garden - there was high excitement all around with a really positive vibe wrapped up with a great sense of achievement!*

- Kerry Scambler | President, SAPRA



## South Arm Winter Festival + SAFIRE

**SAFIRE** - the culmination of this year's South Arm Winter Festival.

Imagine...an amazing array of local art, great local food, fire pots and local musicians, all creating a warming mid-winter connection.

**SAFIRE** is a community event conceived by a group of local artists to showcase the talent and work of artists from right across our Peninsula, running for two days in July as the program of Winter Festival workshops concludes.

Whilst the artworks are on show at Calverton Hall with artists present, a coffee & cake café will run at the Community Centre and St Barnabas will host Cricklewood's animal nursery along with other activities.

**Winter Festival Workshops.** A wide range is planned for the six weeks preceding SAFIRE – a chance to learn new skills and stay connected.

Last year included knitting with Mrs Marsh of Rosehaven fame, rag to yarn, macrame, lantern making, clay mask making and the popular dancing for the littlies.

**Keep an eye out for the workshop program at the end of April.**

Hope to see you all at **SAFIRE!**

- Laney Wing | Fair Coordinator | [0468 388 560](tel:0468388560) | [safirecraftfair@gmail.com](mailto:safirecraftfair@gmail.com)

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- Run a workshop
- Busk during SAFIRE
- Lend a hand in any way to help make our first SAFIRE a roaring success!

We acknowledge the palawa people (Tasmanian Aboriginal Community) as the traditional owners and ongoing custodians of lutruwita/Tasmania - its land and waters. We acknowledge their long history and deep connection to this place and pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

The paper and printing of this newsletter is kindly supplied by Heather Chong.

## About this newsletter

This newsletter has been published since 1989 by the South Arm Peninsula Residents' Association Inc. (SAPRA). It is distributed bi-monthly across the South Arm Peninsula community - Sandford, Cremorne, Clifton Beach, South Arm and Opossum Bay.

*Opinions expressed in articles are not necessarily the views of the Committee.*

**Please note this edition was printed on 22 March 2025 - some details may have changed by circulation date.**

Contributions to the Jun-Jul issue close

**Friday 16 May 2025**

Individuals and groups are invited to submit notices, reports, photos, articles or other contributions. Send contributions to [editor@southarm.tas.au](mailto:editor@southarm.tas.au).

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## SAPRA UPDATE



And all of a sudden, we're in Autumn! A time of (we hope) still days, mirrored waters and fresh air aplenty. And some steady overnight rain please!

On a sad note, we've lost another community volunteer and good friend to many, Paul Davidson. Paul not only played an important role in the St Barnabas Working Group (P7), he helped fold and deliver this newsletter around Opossum Bay. He was also involved with Probus and other groups. RIP Paul.

SAPRA's agenda is always a full one, here's just some of what we're working on/following up:

- Harmony Lane roadworks in partnership with the school.
- Centre carpark design by Clarence Council.
- South Arm and Opossum Bay rafts & Council.
- Australia Post delivery of newsletter to 7020 not working (see notice P10).
- History Room upgrade & banner project research/design.
- Community Centre maintenance.
- Community Centre bookings - motorhome groups, art classes for kids and others.
- Market - supporting new co-ordinators, updating permits and policies etc.
- Supporting a potential school exhibition + Winter Festival.
- Ongoing support for the Op Shop and Library and of course BINGO!

Also coming up is further consultation with Council on their Open Space and Coastal Access Strategies. Yes we're busy! We'll share more news on our [SAPRA Inc.](#) and [South Arm Community Centre](#) Facebook pages. Don't forget to check [southarm.tas.au](http://southarm.tas.au) for newsletters from this one back to 2010!

- Kerry Scambler | President | 0407 875 460 | [SAPRAPres@southarm.tas.au](mailto:SAPRAPres@southarm.tas.au)




### Rainfall reporters needed for South Arm and Clifton Beach.



After many years of reporting South Arm's monthly rainfall to this newsletter Bob Kimber is retiring so we are looking for someone to take over from him. Also we would like to add Clifton Beach to our rainfall report. For guidelines on measuring rainfall visit <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/cdo/about/rain-measure.shtml>.

To volunteer or learn more please email [editor@southarm.tas.au](mailto:editor@southarm.tas.au).

## Rainfall on the Peninsula

	Cremorne	Opossum Bay	Sandford	South Arm
January	18	15	19.5	3.7
February	15.5	31	22.2	22.7
2025 YTD	33.5	46	41.7	26.5
2024 YTD	45.7	54	48.5	41.7
	Geir Rodven	Teresa Quine	Bradley Mollison	Bob Kimber

Do you live in South Arm or Clifton Beach and willing to volunteer as a rain recorder? See above.

## Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women Inductee - Heather Chong

Our hearty congratulations to Heather for her many years of public service to government and dedication to community volunteering work. You can read about Heather's many contributions at [www.women.tas.gov.au](http://www.women.tas.gov.au).

If you're reading the paper version of this newsletter, please take a moment to thank Heather for its printing and paper. SAPRA, and our community, is very grateful for her support since June 2011, without which we could not provide our newsletter to so many households across the Peninsula community.

Thank you Heather and congratulations on recognition well deserved!

- Kerry Scambler | SAPRA President



## SAPRA Volunteers

On Sunday 16 February the SAPRA Committee hosted a Thank You Gathering for all Peninsula volunteers. SAPRA President, Kerry Scambler, presented Certificates of Appreciation to **Mary Holton**, for her services to the operation of the South Arm Community Centre and to **Jacqui Harvey** for her key role in running a very successful South Arm Community Market.

### **Congratulations to both and a message from both...**

*"Thanks to our wonderful volunteers who support me to keep our centre running smoothly. In the op shop we have Lyn, Louise, Vicki, Anna, Rita, Erin and Jill, working hard sorting donations and keeping the op shop tidy. Our wonderful librarians are Lesley, Judy, Sue, Christine, Glenda, Fred and Vix who shelve, tidy and sort adult and children's books, puzzles, games and toys for the library and donation table. And last but not least, thanks to our community who donate quality, clean books and clothes.".....**Mary Holton** (photo-left)*

*"I would like to thank everyone for their ongoing support for our lovely South Arm Community Market. None of it would be possible without our fantastic stallholders and patrons, the support of SAPRA and lastly, but definitely not least, the amazing volunteers who give up their time to help on Market day and also behind-the-scenes. You have all made my job as coordinator so much easier and very enjoyable. I would just like to say thank you to you all. A special thank you to my husband Andrew who has supported me all the way and put in hours of work to help the Market be fabulous! The market is now in excellent hands with Deb & Henri. But you will still find me there in Jacky's Corner.".....**Jacqui Harvey** (photo-right)*

- Paul Johansen, Co-Editor, SAPN



## Nominations open for City of Clarence 2025 Citizen of the Year Awards

The awards recognise and celebrate those individuals, groups, and events that have made an extraordinary impact on the local community during 2024.

There are **four categories** for awards : **Citizen of the Year, Senior Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Community Event or Organisation of the Year**. For more information on eligibility and to submit a nomination, visit <https://www.ccc.tas.gov.au/2025/02/nominations-now-open-for-citizen-of-the-year-awards-2025/>.



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# South Arm Primary School



## Launching into Learning

At South Arm Primary School we value every opportunity we have to connect with local families and community members. These relationships can start before children even commence kindergarten and are often made via our fantastic **Launching into Learning (LiL) program** which is so wonderfully coordinated by Jenny Gardner.

**LiL is a free program for young children** (birth – 4 years old) and their families which can help parents/carers and their children get to know their local school and meet other families. LiL supports children with their development in an atmosphere of fun and creativity and helps children transition into kindergarten.



**Whether you live in South Arm or Opossum Bay, or further afield, our LiL program is a fantastic chance to get a feel for the school** and, in particular, the kindergarten space which is the entry point for most of our students.

Our 2025 LiL year has started with fantastic engagement from many new and existing families who value the opportunity to connect in our school library and the wonderful kindergarten playground and classroom.

Sessions commence at 9.30am every Friday morning in the school library with dancing, sharing nursery rhymes and singing songs. From there, the group heads towards the kinder space where parents often take the chance to enjoy a few minutes with a hot drink and conversation with other adults.

Children are free to engage in imaginative or active play in the classroom or playground, and can also participate in activities which often include art and craft as part of their LiL experience. The schedule for each term will also include a number of **additional afternoon LiL sessions, the next being in our school gym on Friday, April 4** targeting gross motor skill development.

If you'd like to know more about LiL, or find out what's coming up, please contact the school office on [6239 9126](tel:62399126) and ask for Jenny Gardner.

To find out more you can visit [www.greatstart.tas.gov.au](http://www.greatstart.tas.gov.au)

- With thanks, *Stu Warren, Principal, South Arm Primary School* | [6239 9126](tel:62399126)

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**Flu:** Keep an eye on Facebook and our notice board for more details of government funded (FREE!!) and the private flu vaccinations coming SOON.

**Whooping Cough:** Are you pregnant? About to become a parent or grandparent? Come and talk to us about being vaccinated to protect the baby before the birth. We can also give RSV vaccinations during pregnancy.

Please phone us or call in to discuss [6239 9529](tel:62399529)

**BINGO**

**South Arm Community Centre**  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month  
Doors open 7pm at 9 Calverton Place, South Arm

- 15 games per session
- Each game costs \$1 to play (\$15 total)
- Cash prizes
- Tea, coffee, chips & chocolates available to buy
- BYO nibbles & drinks (alcohol included)

## Do you like gardening?

If you do, just an hour of gardening would be a great help in maintaining our lovely community. Here are a couple of gardening gatherings, if you'd like to join in.

**St Barnabas Church** - 1st Sat/month 10am-12pm

**Iron Plot Community Garden @ the Centre**

- every Fri 10am-11am (approx)

Enquiries: Rae 0417 555 175



# Cremorne Corner



## Pipe Clay Coastcare Group

### Clean Up Australia Day Report

Thank you again to all who participated in the Clean Up Australia Day weekend. Sammy took out the award of Most Useful find with a fishing rod, Di and family the Biggest Award with the wrecked kayak left on the dunes, simultaneously taking out the Ugliest as well with the lumps of concrete left in it. Josh and Tully the Weirdest with the old lawn mower found also in the dunes.

### Tools Sharpening Workshop & AGM

Our Tools Sharpening workshop was postponed last year, and we are hoping to rebook in for this coming winter. **Watch this space. Our AGM is also coming up.** We keep it short and sweet and tempt with tasty treats. Would really love to have you along.

### Kind Request

After the dry start to the year, if you have plantings out on a reserve area near your place it would be great if you could continue to give them a bucket of water or two.



### Get Ready For Autumn Plants

Stay posted on [Facebook](#) for details of our annual **Big Plant Give Away in May. WE WILL NEED EXTRA HANDS.**



Please get in touch if you can lend a hand on the morning to set up, pack up, hand out plants, garden stakes/ guards, help with labels beforehand. Contact details below.

*The Coastcare Team | 0408 121 304 | [pipeclaycoastcare@outlook.com](mailto:pipeclaycoastcare@outlook.com) | or [Facebook](#)*

## Cremorne Playground Update

The latest **Clarence City Council newsletter** informs that upgrades to the playground are to occur this year. It is strongly encouraged to provide feedback to the Council on any input you may have on equipment. When the last upgrade occurred some years back, the then Playgroup requested that a double swing was put in place, as opposed to the proposed single swing, as parents/carers often attend with more than one child, and the council thankfully took this onboard.



## Cremorne Bowls and Community Club

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## Cremorne Community Group



### Bowls Competition Successes

It's finals time at the Club. **Div. 1** has secured the prize of a home 2<sup>nd</sup> semi-final, by only losing 3 of the regular 18 game season. They will play Kingborough to decide who goes directly through to the Grand Final.

**Div. 3** and **Div. 6** look set to secure home 1<sup>st</sup> Semi Finals which if they win, will give both sides a chance of reaching the Grand Final should they defeat the 2<sup>nd</sup> Semi Final loser in the "Preliminary Final".

The Club's **Barefoot Bowls** competition has yet again been a great success, culminating with Grand Finals being played in March. The Club's barefoot bowlers are amongst the best in the Bowls South region.

The Club offers sincere thanks to all patrons who have attended the various events hosted this year. We thank all of you who make the events such a great success.

### Yoga at your Club

**Now on Mondays** with two sessions: 5:20 – 6:20pm and 6:30 – 7:30pm. Fully booked out, however, if keen please message via the [Cremorne Noticeboard Page](#) on the Jayne Martin Yoga post to express your interest in any vacancies that might come along.



## Cremorne Calendar

**Fri 28 March** – Pop Up: Filipino Street Food by Pogee

**April** – Water plants (so dry)

**Fri 4 April** – Coastcare AGM

**Sat 12 April** – Pop Up: Chan Bao Taiwanese Street Food

**Fri 9 May** – Pop Up: Get Greek

**Sun 18 May** – Coastcare, Plant Give Away

**Sun 15 Jun** – Tool Workshop (TBC)

(Note – food trucks may alter to other dates/ providers).

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**Traditional Gun Fire Breakfast: 7am** at the South Arm RSL & Community Club

**ANZAC Day Service: 10:25am** at the South Arm Memorial Park (next to the club)

Anyone wishing to lay wreaths at either service please contact the President ASAP on 0400 140 870

## Iron Pot Golf Club



### Water Update

Drought aside, the course is holding up well mainly due to the efforts of Craig Knibbs & Graeme Hodgman.

We continue to seek State and Commonwealth government funding to upgrade the course irrigation systems for connection to the South Arm Irrigation Scheme. A Golf Australia consultant is assisting with preparation of funding proposals. The water is over the river and a North-South pipe is to be installed next.

Thank you to the Arm End Golf Course for supplying, at no cost, 1,000 metres of replacement piping for the existing pipe run from the spare water supply tank to the dam.

### Rabbit Control

The rabbit population is currently under control thanks to volunteers Dan, Ollie & Jim who have, thus far, relocated 2,000 bunnies with carcasses being donated to the Raptor Refuge.

### Memberships

Full affiliated adult membership for the 2025 year for \$383.00 includes the yearly Membership to South Arm RSL & Community Club. We are very keen on building up our female and junior memberships. Coaching and assistance for first time players available on request.

- Steven Soul, President, Iron Pot Golf Club

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# St Barnabas - our community church

## Hall Improvements and Hire

The Gellibrand Hall is to receive a much needed facelift. A new kitchen and new heating will be installed and the hall painted and repaired as necessary. It will then be available for hire, for church events or independently.



## Fund Raising

Whilst extremely grateful for monetary donations and grants we rely on our fund raising events to cover regular expenses. For our monthly stall at the South Arm Market we welcome donations of pre-loved items in good condition (no electrical goods). Please contact a member if you can donate.

## Vale Paul Davidson

Everyone at St Barnabas was shocked and saddened to hear of the sudden passing of Paul, a member of the group that worked extremely hard to organise a way to purchase the church. He was instrumental in researching the possibility of gaining heritage listing for the church and cemetery and a founding member of the Board. Paul will always be remembered as a kind, thoughtful, altruistic and skilled man. Our thoughts and prayers are with Paul's family and friends at this sad time.

- Linda Roe, St Barnabas | [stbarnabas.au](http://stbarnabas.au)

**April services**  
 6th - Prayer and Praise with Lyn Aylett  
 13th - Palm Sunday, Rev Beverley Elliot  
 17th - Maundy Thursday, Rev Paul Elliot (6pm)  
 18th - Good Friday, Rev David Le Rossignol  
 20th - Easter Sunday, Rev Andrew Lake  
 27th - Communion, Rev Paul Elliot  
*Services ex. Maundy Thursday start at 10am.*

**May services**  
 4th - Prayer and Praise, Lyn Aylett.  
 11th - Celtic communion, Rev Beverley Elliot  
 18th - Anglican, Rev Andrew Lake  
 25th - Communion, Rev Paul Elliot  
*Services start at 10am.*  
 Working Bees - 1st Sat. of the month 10:00-12:00.

# Friends of the Bays

Friends of the Bays came to Calverton Hall, South Arm, in March. Like other recent events, we saw a full house and loads of enthusiasm. If this spirit is representative of what is happening in our communities the social license of the salmon industry is dead, buried and cremated.

A number of speakers addressed the meeting, including our passionate accidental president Steve Sanders. The meeting closed by passing a resolution expressing a total lack of confidence in the EPA's capacity to regulate the salmon industry.

So many groups similar to Friends of the Bays are springing up around Storm Bay and various events being arranged. There is a real sense of momentum and when politicians post a selfie on social media waving a pack of salmon, they have been hit by a storm of negative responses. Maybe some are beginning to read the room.

We will continue to update our [Facebook](#) page including information about meetings and rallies. Shortly we will be launching our own website. Stay tuned!

- Ian Sale, Secretary, FotB | [www.facebook.com/groups/304200489140424](https://www.facebook.com/groups/304200489140424)



# Celebrating our first Cuppa with a Cop

Neighbourhood Watch is a community-based crime prevention program. Our aim is to look out for each other and part of that is reporting anything suspicious to our local police. Cuppa with a Cop helped us to connect with our local police and discuss concerns at the South Arm RSL & Community Club in February.

Thanks to police for bringing along their latest drone and vehicles, interacting with children and adults alike, to Clarence Councillors for their support, to community members for coming along and the Neighbourhood Watch Team and Co-ordinators for their encouragement. A huge thank you to Judy and Tony for hosting the morning with the urn on and tasty treats.

If you live in our boundaries, please join our Lauderdale to Opossum Bay NW Facebook group to keep up with local crime statistics and community get-togethers like the next Cuppa with a Cop in Lauderdale.

Enquiries: [communitynhw@gmail.com](mailto:communitynhw@gmail.com) Admin team: Louise, Brianna and Jen.  
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# Sandford Scout Group - on the water



## 60th Scout Guide Regatta

Our Scouts joined 600 other Scouts, Venturers, Rovers, and Leaders from around the state to celebrate and partake in the 60th Scout Guide Regatta held at Snug over the long weekend.

Two of our Scouts demonstrated their sailing ability and were promoted to helmsman, another joined a rowing crew, others went in kayak and canoe races. Our leaders were in the winning 600m rowing crew and took advantage of the training session in water rescue.

*Do you know anyone with fibreglass skills? Our kayaks are in need of minor repairs. If you are able to help please contact our Group Leader Michael on the number below.*

## Vacancies

We have a few vacancies for leaders in our Joey and Cubs units and for Joeys. Why not join with your child, training is online, you set your own pace and need just one weekend of your time. Contact details below.

We are an accredited training institution in outdoor education for both youth and adults.



- Susanne & Michael Hovington | 0458 156 262 | [gl.sandford@scoutstas.org.au](mailto:gl.sandford@scoutstas.org.au)

# Offcuts from the Shed



## Workshops

The shed has held another jewellery workshop with more planned for the future. Our regular mentors, Ian and Kent, retired from teaching but still teaching, have been a key part of our workshop events and, in the future, we are looking at box-making, bird nesting boxes and feeding stations and, if there's interest, more jewellery.



## Tribute to FotB's Mick Lawrence

Storm Bay hero, Mick Lawrence - surfer, writer, advocate, mentor, film-maker was a founder of Friends of the Bays, one of many community organisations making life difficult for the salmon industry and their political supporters. Mick's Friends of the Bays T-shirt was mounted and framed by a team of shedders including Ian Calvert (supplied the timber), Eric Bound (made the frame), Kent Moore and Fred Stein (made the plaque) and Ian Sale (supplied the glass, mounted the T-shirt). The framed T-shirt was presented at Mick's send-off at Clifton Beach, and will be displayed at the Surf Museum (above Red Herring).

## Southern Tasmania Shedders Gathering

Your South Arm Peninsula shed hosted a gathering on March 21, a meeting in which other shedders in southern Tasmania were invited to visit our slice of paradise. There was much sharing of projects, problems to be solved, and the passions that ignite us. In the spirit of providing support through these sharing experiences, yours truly gave a presentation about prostate cancer entitled 'Prostate with poetry and punk'

- Ian Sale, Communications Officer M: 0418 136 769 | [mensshed.southarm.tas.au](http://mensshed.southarm.tas.au) | [mensshed@southarm.tas.au](mailto:mensshed@southarm.tas.au) | Facebook

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# South Arm Fire Brigade

## Tasmanian Fires

Recently one of our South Arm Brigade volunteer firefighters deployed to the Snug Tier fire and assisted along with members of the Lauderdale brigade. This fire and the west coast fires are now well under control, but the fire season is not over yet and **the whole of Tasmania is still under a fire permit period until further notice.**



Tasmania Fire Service

## Firelighting Risk Awareness Program

TasFire has a program designed to **help families with children exhibiting fire lighting behaviour** known as **FireRAP** – Firelighting Risk Awareness Program. FireRAP is a free and confidential service delivered in the family home by trained Fire Education Officers using social learning and behavioural principles such as positive reinforcement.

Flyers are available on the TFS Education website under the Home Fire Safety Publications heading (<https://www.tfseducation.com.au/education-programs/firelap-firelighting-risk-awareness-program>)

For more information about the program see the above FireRAP webpage or contact the Community Development and Education team via email at [community@fire.tas.gov.au](mailto:community@fire.tas.gov.au).

## Bushfire Safety Guide

Also available is the Bushfire Safety Guide at [bushfire.tas.gov.au](http://bushfire.tas.gov.au).

Direct link: <https://www.tfseducation.com.au/documents/bushfire-safety-guide/download>

Please don't **forget to register any planned burn (under 1 cubic metre) or request a permit for any fire over 1 cubic metre** by calling: **1800 000 699** or online at [fire.tas.gov.au](http://fire.tas.gov.au).



- *Cliff Munday, 2nd Officer, South Arm Fire Brigade | 0476 015 911*

# South Arm RSL & Community Club

**Membership renewals due.** Don't miss out on bottleshop discounts as you now need a 2025 card to claim these and other benefits through the year. Download the renewal form (link below) and return the completed form to the Club in person, by post, or scan and email to [treasurer@southarmrsl.com.au](mailto:treasurer@southarmrsl.com.au) (spare forms at the Club). For any queries, contact Steve 0419 339 415, [treasurer@southarmrsl.com.au](mailto:treasurer@southarmrsl.com.au).



**Carpark upgrade.** Thank you to all patrons of the Club and members of the Sub-Branch, Iron Pot Golf Club and Men's Shed for your patience over recent months whilst the two carparks were sealed. We hope you agree, it's a much improved surface and we thank the State Government for supporting this much-needed improvement to the Club precinct.



We look forward to welcoming you to the Club soon.

- *David Skegg | President | [president@southarmrsl.com.au](mailto:president@southarmrsl.com.au) | [southarm.tas.au/south-arm-rsl-comm-club](http://southarm.tas.au/south-arm-rsl-comm-club)*

# The South Arm Community Market

The February market was awesome with the music from Tom Booth along with the Old Pretenders Pipe Band. How privileged we were to have two exceptional entertainers on the day. Thank you so much.

Jacqui and Andrew left the organisational side in February. Jacqui will continue to operate Jacky's Corner so we will still be able to see her and enjoy her fabulous goodies. **Jacqui and Andrew**, please take the time to have a break, revitalise yourselves and reflect on the incredible achievements you've both made to make this the amazing success that the market is today. From all concerned thank you for your tremendous donation of time, energy, and vision.

The March market saw the return of Justin and his snake friends. Mild weather saw many patrons visit the market, either to shop or just listen to the great music and indulge in a fantastic array of lunch options.

Debbie and Henri Brower have taken on the role of coordinators for our market. Welcome aboard!!

Hope to see you at the market on 6th April and 4 May.

- *Market Musketeers | 0432 281 022 | [market@southarm.tas.au](mailto:market@southarm.tas.au)*



Ph: 0432 281 022 124 | [market@southarm.tas.au](http://market@southarm.tas.au)

## SOUTH ARM PENINSULA Community Bus

### SOCIAL SUPPORT

Fortnightly shopping trips (\$8 person), and other assistance available. Particularly for those unable/uncomfortable to drive.

### SOCIAL CONNECTIONS

Families | Friends | Common interest groups  
Keep your group together on the journey.  
Enjoy their company and forget the hassle of driving/parking!

Enquiries: Steve - 0419 339 415  
[communitybus@southarm.tas.au](mailto:communitybus@southarm.tas.au)  
[www.southarm.tas.au/community-bus](http://www.southarm.tas.au/community-bus)

## Ride the Community Bus to AGFEST

Agfest is a rural themed event in Carrick - farm equipment, crafts, camping gear, sheep dog trials, local food and beverages and much more! <https://agfest.com.au/>

**Day trip either 1 or 2 May**, whichever is the most popular. A full day with an early start.

Dep. South Arm 5:30am - coffee break in Campbell Town - AGFEST opens 8:00am - Leave for home 4:00pm - Home by 7:00-7:30pm.

**Seats limited so email or TXT ASAP to express your interest and preferred day.**

Steve 0419 339 415 | [communitybus@southarm.tas.au](mailto:communitybus@southarm.tas.au)

## What's Your Peninsula Story

Our history project is progressing well but we still have questions – quite a few actually! And we know the answers are out there within our community and beyond.

Who built the first shack in each of our Peninsula villages? Do you have memories of Cartela picnics? Do you have insights into the building of a community facility? Do you know of some famous visitors or residents?

We want to tap into the family tales and anecdotes, urban myths, diaries, photo albums, family research and your memories to bring this place, its character and history to life. Check out our updated list of research themes (link below) and get in touch!

<https://southarm.tas.au/history-banner-project/>

Remember, what happens today is tomorrow's history so it's important we capture not just stories from the distant past, but those created last year, last month and yesterday.

If you have something to share or would like to become involved please email [saprahist@gmail.com](mailto:saprahist@gmail.com) or contact *Michael Topfer, Custodian History Room on 0400 416 099 or Kerry Scambler, SAPRA President on 0407 875 460*

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**NATURE note**

**Do you hear words from birds?**

Pictured below is a Grey Shrike Thrush in full voice. We're sure we've heard these words... have you?  
*Warning - some of these might become ear-worms!*

“Wikileaks”  
“Peekaboo”  
“Dothraki”

*\* Game of Thrones reference*

Send your bird (or frog!) words to [editor@southarm.tas.au](mailto:editor@southarm.tas.au)

*Bird-lover, Sandford*



**SAPRA MEMBERSHIP** | 1 April 2025 - 30 June 2026 \$2 per person

Name(s)

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Date  Amount enclosed (\$2 pp, & donations welcome)  \$

Your annual \$2 per person membership fee helps us to help you. It supports the many activities and services run in our community and funding the Community Centre as our hub.  
*Please leave this form in the SAPRA box at the South Arm Shop.*

## Local services & notices

Free service for Peninsula businesses. If you know of any listing no longer active please let us know - [editor@southarm.tas.au](mailto:editor@southarm.tas.au)

### Accommodation

#### Cremorne Self Contained Cabin

Great rural location, close to beach. 0434 499 730 | [www.airbnb.com/h/cremorne-trinity](http://www.airbnb.com/h/cremorne-trinity)

#### The Octopus South Arm

Fully self-contained accommodation suitable for 2 guests(+ one infant 0-2 on request). [www.airbnb.com/h/theoctopus](http://www.airbnb.com/h/theoctopus)

### Administrative Services

#### Justice of the Peace

##### Opossum Bay

David Skegg 0418 374 305 | [davidskegg@icloud.com](mailto:davidskegg@icloud.com)

##### Justice of the Peace

Doc. witnessing, court affidavits, stat. decs, certifying true copy of original document. Terry Roe 0400 140 870

### Animal services

#### Sandford Cat Hotel

5 star luxury for your cat. Hazel Jones 0403 568 999

### Automotive

#### Tilt tray towing, accident recovery, insurance work.

Anthony 0412 110 992

### Beauty

#### Jewellery

Handmade precious jewellery designed & made in South Arm. Gavin 0414 629 185 [www.gavinmacsporrans.com.au](http://www.gavinmacsporrans.com.au)

#### Mj's Hair Design

Fully qual. hairdressers, facial waxing/tinting. 3120 South Arm Rd, Wed to Sat, or by appt. 6239 9612 | 0421 859 408

#### Mobile Haircuts

Professional haircuts in your home. Tania 0458 528 258 | Facebook.

#### South Arm Skin Care

Qual. beauty therapist (19+ yrs). Mj's hair design, 3120 South Arm Rd. Wed-Sat. 0409 552 869 | Facebook.

### Business services

#### Rachel-is-IT

Computer repairs, up-grades, IT help. Vinyl signage for car, boat or business. 6239 9706 | 0438 399 706

### Ceremony

#### Oakdown Celebrant

Naming days, weddings & more. Make your day unique. Tara Bellette 0408 367 932 | [tarabelle76@gmail.com](mailto:tarabelle76@gmail.com)

#### Lyn Gallagher, Marriage Celebrant

Weddings, Naming Days, Renewing of Vows, Special Birthdays, Funerals. 0459 769 419 | [hopefulandtrue@gmail.com](mailto:hopefulandtrue@gmail.com)

#### Marriage & other Life Event Celebrant

Saying I do? Let me be your guide - Beverley Elliot. 0460 519 037 | [beverleyfe@gmail.com](mailto:beverleyfe@gmail.com)

### Community meetings & activities

#### Pottery Classes

Laney the Clay Lady. Children, adult and group workshops - small, large and corporate team building events. Ph 0468 388 560

#### Bible Discussion - Connect Group

New members welcome. Fridays 10.30am. in Gellibrand Fellowship Hall at St Barnabas Church. Jane Beavan 6239 9244

#### Iron Plot Community Garden @ the Centre

Help garden, have a chat and/or help plan - Fridays 10-11am. Open for all the community to enjoy.

#### Pizza Oven @ Community Garden

BYO wood, oven tools available by arrangement. Free to use but donations to the Community Garden welcome. Ph 0407 875 460 to book.

#### Cremorne Community Group Inc

[www.cremorne.tas.au](http://www.cremorne.tas.au) | Facebook [cremornecommunitygroup@gmail.com](mailto:cremornecommunitygroup@gmail.com). Marquee hire for CCG members [ghr@pipshy.com](mailto:ghr@pipshy.com) | 0412 305 794

#### Bridge

Calverton Hall, Wednesdays at 2pm. New members and beginners welcome. Noela 0418 600 707

#### Bingo

7pm, first Tuesday monthly @ the Community Centre. Lots of fun!

#### Craft Group

2nd, 4th & 5th Tues of the month 12:30-3pm, Calverton Hall. \$4/session. Lesley Gore 6239 9321

#### Rokeyby Girls' & Boys' Brigades

Adventure for girls & boys 5-18yrs. Thu 5:30 - 7:30pm, at Emmanuel School. Libby 0416 277 101 | [eneduljee@gmail.com](mailto:eneduljee@gmail.com)

#### Sandford Scout Group Friends

Fun, community service and adventure! Joey Scouts (5-7 yrs) Mon 5-6pm, Cubs (8-11 yrs) Mon 6.15-7.45pm Scouts (11-15 yrs) Wed 7-9pm Susanne | [sehovington@hovo.id.au](mailto:sehovington@hovo.id.au)

#### SAPRA Committee Meeting

2nd Tuesday of the month, 7pm at South Arm Community Centre. See p2.

#### South Arm Community Centre Library, Op Shop & History Room

9 Calverton Place, South Arm Mon 10am-12pm, Fri & Sat 1pm- 3pm Market days 9:30am-1pm.

#### South Arm Songsters Choir

All welcome for songs & laughs! 7pm Mondays at the Community Centre. Betsy 0418 526 002

#### St Barnabas Community Church

Morning service, Sun. 10am. W/bee 10am, 1st Sat./month. |Rachel Todd, 6239 9706 | Jane Beavan 6239 9244.

### Exercise & activities

#### Cremorne Bowls Club

[www.cremorne.bowls.com.au](http://www.cremorne.bowls.com.au) 6248 9856

#### Indoor bowls

Every Monday 1:30- 3pm Calverton Hall. Beginners always welcome!

#### Evolve Fitness

Wed 5:30pm, Thu 5:30pm, Sat 8am Sandford Community Hall .First Class Free Susan 0488 707 056 | Facebook | [evolvefitnessaus@gmail.com](mailto:evolvefitnessaus@gmail.com)

#### Jayne Martin Yoga

Slow gentle flow suitable for beginners. For more info, contact [jaynemartin04@gmail.com](mailto:jaynemartin04@gmail.com)

#### Pilates - South Arm

Contact Helen on 0498 177 916

#### South Arm Fitness & Wellness Hub

Gym open 24/7. \$14 /week, no lock in contract. Yoga 9am Mon. Laura 0421 859 408

#### Tennis Court

\$10/hr. Book at South Arm Store or after hours. Kate 0409 845 245.

#### Yoga at Lauderdale Hall

Strength & calm Asana, pranayama, Yoga Nidra & meditation. Wed 10.30-12pm. Margaret 0428 252 560

### Food & dining

#### Fresh fish delivered door to door

Every second Wed 11am-1pm. 30+ years. Robyn 0438 721 448 | [robdaze@bigpond.com](mailto:robdaze@bigpond.com)

#### Opossum Bay Store

Open 7 days. Great coffee, fishing, takeaways, groceries, tools, cards, petrol & friendly service. 6239 9134

#### South Arm RSL & Community Club

Great meals, take-away, bottle shop. Dinner 7 days + lunch on Sun Pizza - Fri/Sat; Asian - Sun/Mon/Tue/Thu. A la carte Wed/Fri/Sat. ph 6239 9171

#### Touch of the MO Cafe

Mon & Tue Van 8am-2pm Wed - Sun Cafe 8:30am-3:00pm. Brunch, Chef's specials, snack menu, coffee cafe smoothies and more. Phone 6295 5532 | Facebook.

## Gardening

### **AJs Lawnmowing & Maintenance**

6 Calverton Place, South Arm. Call Andrew for a free quote [6239 9863](tel:62399863) | [0422 992 479](tel:0422992479)

### **Emma Parker Garden Supplies**

Pea straw \$15/bale. [0409 555 098](tel:0409555098)

### **Last Straw Garden Supplies SA**

Pea & barley straw, horse/sheep/chicken manure, potting mix & organic compost. Free local delivery. Adrian [0427 976 618](tel:0427976618)

### **Landscaping, General Gardening**

Develop new gardens rejuvenate old, lawn mowing rubbish removal etc. Steve [0408 000 645](tel:0408000645) [sbishtas@gmail.com](mailto:sbishtas@gmail.com)

### **The Snail Whisperer**

Bothered by snails eating your veggies and flowers?. Free removal and collection. Alistair [0417 457 140](tel:0417457140)

### **Worm poo and worms**

Natural magic food for veg & plants. \$5 bag poo \$10 bag worms. Free local del. Jill [0419 732 390](tel:0419732390)

## Horticulture

### **Consultant Horticulturist**

Plant, weed + disease identification; plant specification; plant propagation + sourcing. Dr Catriona McLeod, [0400 274 363](tel:0400274363) [contact@catrionamcleod.com](mailto:contact@catrionamcleod.com)

## Home & property

### **Activ8 Electrical & Data Contractor**

Commercial & residential. Michael Calabrese [0407 281 383](tel:0407281383) | [www.activ8electrical.com.au](http://www.activ8electrical.com.au) | [activ8electrical@gmail.com](mailto:activ8electrical@gmail.com)

### **Blakey's plumbing and maintenance [after hours]**

Domestic plumbing, blockages & repairs. Robert [0410 118 254](tel:0410118254)

### **Construction & Carpentry**

For all your building requirements. Simon [0405 936 652](tel:0405936652)

### **South Arm Pergolas**

For all your carpentry needs from doors to pergolas. Rohan [0424 644 451](tel:0424644451)

### **Flatrock Concrete**

Formwork, concrete & excavations Justin [0439 915 386](tel:0439915386)

### **Greg Steinbauer**

Gardening, odd jobs + home maintenance. [0419 136 693](tel:0419136693) | [gstein101@gmail.com](mailto:gstein101@gmail.com)

### **House-sitter Clare**

Experienced, reliable, mature & local. Excellent references. [0450 417 061](tel:0450417061)

### **Interior Design**

DIY consultations, new build & renos. Free discovery call. Kellie, Hello White Interiors [0421 972 370](tel:0421972370)

### **Reptile Ranger**

Rescue & relocate snakes correctly. Permit 2001766. Craig [0424 441 488](tel:0424441488)

### **Rockstar Tiling & Bathroom Renovations.**

Waterproofing, tiling & bathroom renovations. Servicing Peninsula & Eastern Shore. Rick [0499 279 561](tel:0499279561)

### **Snoopy's Gas Fitting**

Install, service and maintain. Brett Newell [0448 877 062](tel:0448877062) | [sssnoopy11@gmail.com](mailto:sssnoopy11@gmail.com)

### **Snake Catcher & Re-Locator**

Registered. \$70 call out fee. Lauderdale, Sandford, South Arm [0411 511 769](tel:0411511769)

### **Tassie handyman**

Maintenance, carpentry, painting, fencing, small landscaping, windows & doors. [0448 667 732](tel:0448667732) | Facebook

### **Tim Holton Builder**

Decks, bathrooms, renovations. [0408 996 176](tel:0408996176)

### **Cleaning Services**

Regular residential cleaning, air bnb cleans, one off deep cleans. Contact Ella [0427 340 203](tel:0427340203) [ellagrwest@gmail.com](mailto:ellagrwest@gmail.com)

## Health Services

### **Converse Online Speech and Art Therapy**

Building confident communicators. [0487 718 750](tel:0487718750) | [www.conversetherapy.com.au](http://www.conversetherapy.com.au) [admin@conversetherapy.com.au](mailto:admin@conversetherapy.com.au)

### **South Arm Community Pharmacy**

4/3120 South Arm Rd [03 6239 9529](tel:0362399529), Fax 03 6239 9600 [info@southarmpharmacy.com.au](mailto:info@southarmpharmacy.com.au) Mon -Fri 8.30am-5.30pm, Sat 9am- 12

## Special Interest

### **Genealogy Research**

Start your family tree or solve a mystery. \$50 initial review inc 2hrs research. Maree [0409 169 659](tel:0409169659) | [harriets.garden@bigpond.com](mailto:harriets.garden@bigpond.com)

### **Maurice Potter History Room**

SA Community Centre. Join the History Facebook group. [history@southarm.tas.au](mailto:history@southarm.tas.au) Michael Topfer [0400 416 099](tel:0400416099)

## Transport & equipment

### **SA Peninsula Community Bus**

Social support & connections. Group hire available - 11 seats + vol driver, tow bar. Steve [0419 339 415](tel:0419339415) | [communitybus@southarm.tas.au](mailto:communitybus@southarm.tas.au)

### **Wheelchairs and walker**

Short-term loans to SA RSL Sub-Branch Members and Defence Services personnel (and dependents). Peter [0477 706 497](tel:0477706497)

### **Community Transport Services Tasmania**

Community based, not-for-profit providing affordable shared door-to-door transport. Call My Aged Care [1800 200 422](tel:1800200422).

## Venue Hire

### **Calverton Hall & Oval Hall Hire**

Anita [0415 512 661](tel:0415512661) | Kate [0409 845 245](tel:0409845245) Tennis court after A/H as above. Key still available at the shop during the day.

### **South Arm Community Centre**

Special occasions, interest group or business meetings, workshops etc. [0407 875 460](tel:0407875460) | [SAPRAPres@southarm.tas.au](mailto:SAPRAPres@southarm.tas.au)

## Volunteering

### **Coastcare Opossum Bay & South Arm**

1st Sunday of month. 10am -12noon. Different venues. Robyn [0400 119 519](tel:0400119519)

### **Coastcare Pipeclay**

Autumn, Spring & Clean Up Aust Day working bees. [0408 121 304](tel:0408121304) | Facebook or [pipeclaycoastcare@outlook.com](mailto:pipeclaycoastcare@outlook.com)

### **Wildcare—Deslacs(Clifton)**

[info@wildcaredeslacs.org](mailto:info@wildcaredeslacs.org)

### **Coastcare Mortimer Bay**

Leanne [0408 498 468](tel:0408498468) | [mortimerbay@landcarea.org.au](mailto:mortimerbay@landcarea.org.au)

### **South Arm Fire Station**

South Arm Fire Station 2nd and last Tuesdays of the month, 7pm Cliff Munday, 2nd Officer, | [0476 015 911](tel:0476015911)

### **Sandford Fire Station**

Training each Monday 7.30pm Ben Cox, Brigade Chief [0418 129 954](tel:0418129954)

### **Clifton Beach Surf Life Saving Club**

President Matt Clingeffer, Secretary Katie Groom, [info@cliftonbeachslsc.com.au](mailto:info@cliftonbeachslsc.com.au) [www.cliftonbeachslsc.com.au](http://www.cliftonbeachslsc.com.au)

## Water carters

### **IMKH Water Supply & Cartage**

Domestic & civil. Marcus [0438 643 176](tel:0438643176)

### **Reliable Water**

Tim [0419 614 457](tel:0419614457)

### **South Air Water**

Damien [0417 928 377](tel:0417928377)

### **Streamline Water**

Wayne [0418 125 096](tel:0418125096)

## Wellbeing & health

### **Acupuncture & Chinese Medicine**

Dr Bec Emmerton (TCM). Treating pain, fertility, women's health, health & wellness. [bekemmerton@gmail.com](mailto:bekemmerton@gmail.com) | [0432 079 849](tel:0432079849)

### **Tara Edwards Reflexology**

Qualified. Home visits for relaxation or health concerns (chronic pain, sleep, circulation, & digestion). \$75/hr Tara [0457 327 482](tel:0457327482)

### **Naturopath / Nutritionist & Psychic Medium/Healing**

Amanda Erskine in Sandford. Ph [0417 727 065](tel:0417727065)

### **Pamper Room**

Relaxation, Hot Stone, Oncology, Pregnancy Massage and Facials. Tania [0458 528 258](tel:0458528258) Facebook [www.pamperroom.com.au](http://www.pamperroom.com.au)

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