



# South Arm Peninsula News

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## Finding Voice - Singing the Peninsula

*Whilst seeing and hearing our South Arm Songsters at the market and other events brings joy to an audience's ears and hearts, the impact of our community choir goes much deeper. Jo Dillon's tribute to retiring choir leader Betsy Hanson explains.*

I have a pretty ordinary singing voice, finding it challenging to hold a note, but I love singing. Ten years ago, when well-known opera singer, Sharon Prero, put a callout in this newsletter inviting people to become part of a community choir, I was excited!

The choir first gathered at St Barnabas then moved to the Community Centre when the vivacious Betsy Hanson took over as our choir leader almost 8 years ago. I can't claim that after ten years of singing my heart out every week I can individually hold a note, but what we have learnt is that we can indeed sing in harmony with others. To me this revelation seems to be a metaphor for life in general and in particular for life in our South Arm community.

Our choir has all sorts of singers - some spectacularly good voices, some professionally trained, others have sung in bands or are already accomplished musicians, but most of us consider our voices as 'ordinary'. Yes, we've all learned techniques making us better individual singers but the beauty of our community choir is that somehow, under Betsy's mentoring, when this diverse range of voices comes together we actually sound pretty darned good!

Sadly Betsy is leaving our choir. We all pay tribute to her efforts and skill as both teacher and musician. Choir members have spoken of the simple joy that singing with Betsy has brought to their lives; of going home after choir feeling uplifted and positive; of opportunities to shine; of laughter, fun, support during difficult times or bereavement and of inspiration and increased confidence to keep singing. We have lost people, new and forever friendships have been made at choir. The camaraderie also led to the emergence, particularly during Covid, of small bands and singing groups which continue to thrive. The larger group will continue to meet for informal singalongs and social gatherings while we consider the next step.

We thank you Betsy for your easy and effortless teaching style, (we know it wasn't!) for creating an atmosphere where we all felt that we had something to contribute, for your infectious and spontaneous humour, for the fabulous music and most of all for helping us find voice.

- Jo Dillon, South Arm Songster | [southarm.tas.au/south-arm-songsters](http://southarm.tas.au/south-arm-songsters)



*You have given us a great gift: to sing together with heart and mind and soul and voice; to become a bonded group. We have laughed - and cried; we've followed you where you led us and we thank you for consistently turning up at the end of the day when all you probably wanted to do was go to bed with a good book! Gill,*

*I looked forward to Mondays every week because no matter how low I felt, Betsy's beautiful, contagious smile immediately lifted me up. The singing and laughing together was better than any medicine. I thank you Betsy and wish you good health and happiness. Jan.*

## SAFIRE Winter Festival

The South Arm Winter Festival (SAFIRE) is almost here and it's shaping up to be a treat of local art, creativity, and fun! Explore local studios, enjoy live demonstrations, creative workshops and more!



Look out for our Winter Festival newsletter, The Bugle, for details and check [Humanityx](#) for those events requiring bookings. The Bugle will be available in local shops and the South Arm Post Office. Also look for notices around South Arm.

**To whet your appetite see our calendar of events on Page 4.**

**Support our local artists and don't miss out.**

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

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

## About this newsletter

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

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Contributions to the Aug-Sep issue close

**Friday 11 July 2025**

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## SAPRA UPDATE



Welcome to winter! At the time of writing the rainfall has been stubbornly absent but here's hoping the tanks are filling by now. It's been another busy time at SAPRA HQ...

**Harmony Lane.** In late April, Clarence Mayor Brendan Blomeley and Council's Head of Infrastructure & Natural Assets, Ross Graham, met with SA Primary Acting Principal, Jenny Gardner and I at the school. The informative briefing helped us better understand the process and timeline.

- The aim is to make the road safer by improving drainage, footpaths and crossings and looking after significant trees.
- There are complexities but work is underway on concept designs for further consultation with local residents, the school and the community for input and feedback.
- It's anticipated design work will be completed this year with works included in Council's 2026-27 budget to start in the second half of 2026. The school will be consulted on timing.

We hope to have a further update from Council in early July.

**Songsters tribute (P1).** We add our voice to thank Betsy. SAPRA has supported the Choir in various ways including auspicing grants for the keyboard, percussion instruments and special choral masks. Jo's words reinforce why we've done whatever we can for our community choir.

**Market management transition.** A big thank you to Deb, Henri and all their volunteers on a successful transition. Enjoy your winter break and we look forward to seeing you in Spring!

**SAPRA 2025-2026 Membership is now due.** Your \$2 membership shows us, and the organisations we work with, that you appreciate our hard work in running the Centre and all our other projects, follow ups and advocacy.

Other continuing work includes:

- Supporting the school's Winter Festival activities.
- History Room upgrade & banner project research/design.
- Community Centre maintenance.
- Running the Community Bus.
- Ongoing support for the Op Shop, Library, Market and of course BINGO!

Please contact us if you have any queries or would like to discuss any of the above or other topics.

Wishing you a winter of warm fires, friends and family

- Kerry Scambler | President | 0407 875 460  
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## Rainfall on the Peninsula



|           | Mar/Apr '25 | '25 YTD | '24 YTD |             |
|-----------|-------------|---------|---------|-------------|
| Cremorne  | 10.5 / 38.3 | 82.3    | 91.8    | G. Rodven   |
| Op. Bay   | 16.6 / 42.8 | 105.4   | 96.3    | T. Quine    |
| Sandford  | 15.8 / 38.9 | 96.4    | 100.1   | B. Mollison |
| South Arm | 18 / 38.5   | 97.5    | 79.1    | G. Hay*     |
| IPGC      | 17.3 / 29.7 | 81.3    | n/a     | P. Holton   |

\*Glen Hay has kindly taken over SA from Bob Kimber.  
'25 SA YTD figure above has been reset to Glen's.

## The Price of Liberty is ETERNAL Vigilance



### ANZAC Day 2025 - the Peninsula remembers in numbers!



Both our Dawn and Day services continue to attract large numbers - young and old, locals and visitors from afar. **The attendance of the Dawn Service was estimated at 1,000!** The Memorial Park was packed for the Day Service before which 240 gunfire breakfasts were served by Community Club volunteers led by Denae with Aaron, Mark and their team. Tony and Judy later served lunch to a full house.

We are so grateful to all those who contributed to making the day so special - the many "up before sparrows" attendees of the Dawn Service and those joining in the Day Service; the catering for the gun fire breakfasts and lunch; the speakers; the wreath layers (read more about the Sandford Scouts participation on P9); the Clarence City Band; the special guests and those who maintain such a beautiful venue.

Attendees of the Day Service will surely have been inspired by the beautifully written and delivered speech by **Bayview College Prefect, Charli Fitzgerald**. The following speaker, Clarence Mayor Brendan Bromeley, in acknowledgement, started his speech with "that's a hard act to follow!"

**Memorial Park update:** The Affiliates wall is now in place, and further development of Memorial Park is ongoing. We hope to have the dedication to our four nurses completed by Remembrance Day.

On behalf of the RSL Sub Branch we would like to thank the community for their generosity and dedication. We look forward to your continued support in the future.

- Ken Weir, Vice President, South Arm RSL Sub-Branch Inc. | [southarmrslsb@gmail.com](mailto:southarmrslsb@gmail.com)



SOUTH ARM RSL AND COMMUNITY CLUB INC

**Facility upgrades:** We are continuing to look at ways of improving our facilities and adding value for our members and patrons, with committee members taking on responsibility for projects and reporting back to the full committee. Following the successful completion of the car park seal, project managed by Dave Wright, we have now completed an upgrade of the public address and sound system, project managed by Herman Westerhof and Steve Hinton.

**Water Pipeline:** A display and information session for the water project was held at the Club. We thank the South Arm Irrigation Scheme for the time and effort putting this on for the community.

**2025 Club Scholarship awarded:** The Club is very pleased to announce the 2025 scholarship has been awarded to **Portia Kriener of Opossum Bay**. Portia will use the \$3000 to help cover costs for a nursing degree at UTas. **The Club wishes Portia all the best with her studies and subsequent career.**

The Club will be offering another scholarship in 2026.

I look forward to seeing you all around the winter fires at the Club as the weather gets cooler. It's rather nice to share the warmth and friendliness, along with the good food and refreshments Tony, Judy and their staff always provide.

- 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)



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# SAFIRE Winter Festival

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## June:

|    |  |
|----|--|
| 7  | <b>Mandala Drawing \$40</b> - St Barnabas Church - 10am-12pm           |
| 8  | <b>Ceramics - Owl Trinket Dish \$30</b> - Studio 61 - 10am-11:30am     |
| 14 | <b>Rock Painting \$20</b> - St Barnabas Church - 10am-12pm             |
| 15 | <b>Ceramics - Spoon Rest \$25</b> - Studio 61 - 10am-12pm              |
| 21 | <b>Mandala Drawing \$40</b> - Calverton Hall - 10am-12pm               |
| 21 | <b>Book Making \$40</b> - Calverton Hall - 10am-12pm                   |
| 22 | <b>Ceramics - Fairy House \$45</b> - Studio 61 - 10am-1pm              |
| 28 | <b>Acrylic Pour Painting w/Maree \$30</b> - Calverton Hall - 10am-12pm |
| 29 | <b>Ceramics - Coiled Clay Luminaire \$45</b> - Studio 61 - 10am-1pm    |

## July:

|    |  |
|----|--|
| 5  | <b>Mandala Drawing \$40</b> - Calverton Hall - 10am-12pm                     |
| 5  | <b>Book Making \$40</b> - Calverton Hall - 10am-12pm                         |
| 6  | <b>Ceramics - Seahorse \$40</b> - Studio 61 - 10am-12pm                      |
| 12 | <b>Intro. to Playwriting w/ P. McIntyre \$45</b> - Calverton Hall - 10am-4pm |
| 12 | <b>Native Plant Propagation \$15</b> - St Barnabas Church - 10am-12pm        |
| 19 | <b>Knitting w/ Mrs Marsh \$20</b> - Comm. Centre Library - 11am-12:30pm      |
| 20 | <b>Upcycled Yarn Workshop \$55</b> - Touch of the Mo - 3:30-5:30pm           |

For more information and bookings go to [Humanitix](http://Humanitix) web site  
- Laney Wing, Festival Coordinator | 0468 388 560 | [safirecraftfair@gmail.com](mailto:safirecraftfair@gmail.com)

### CALVERTON HALL South Arm

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

**Iron Plot Community Garden @ the Centre**

- every Fri 10am-11am (approx)

Enquiries: Rae 0417 555 175



**BINGO**

**South Arm Community Centre**  
1st 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)

# Cremorne Corner



## Pipe Clay Coastcare Group

### Big Plant Give Away - Big Success!

Wow – 630 plants all gone! A big thanks to Cremorne residents for supporting biodiversity in our coastal community. There were many people walking in to see the selection of plants on offer for their garden, nature strip or foreshore area.

We appreciated the number of people who looked around their patch to see what spaces need filling in.

**A shout out to:** the volunteers who helped with advertising, labels, setting up, handing out supplies and tidy up; the Bowls and Community Club for the space; Clarence Council for funding, the Lilly & Sage coffee van and all who came to support them. Finally, our gratitude to Andrew of Wildseed Nursery at Sorrell. Wildseed go above and beyond in supporting local Coastcare and Landcare groups. They have an amazing array of plants, with knowledge and experience to match.



**Tool Sharpening Workshop:** Sunday 10 August - it's far away but always popular.

**Quiz Night.** Sat 8 th November.

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

## Cremorne Calendar

**June:** Plant and water your Give Away plants

**Fri 6 June:** Pop Up: Fried & Loaded

**Fri 4 July:** Pop Up: Wattlebanks

**Sun 10 Aug:** Tool Workshop

**Sat 8 Nov:** Quiz Night

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



## Cremorne Bowls and Community Club

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## Cremorne Community Group



### Another great season on the green

The **Men's Division 1 Midweek** and the **Saturday Pennant Divisions 3 and 6** all reached the "Finals" stages of their respective competitions. The **Saturday Division 6 team** lost their first semi-final to Claremont by the narrowest of margins, 65-67. A great effort by all concerned.

The **Saturday Division 3 team** went one better and reached the Grand Final against their arch-rivals Kingborough. On a bitterly cold day on the new Claremont synthetic green Cremorne held their ground to lose a tight contest by the narrowest of margins, 78-77. A great effort by all Cremorne bowlers.

Finally, the **Cremorne Mens' Midweek Division 1** side dominated the division, finishing as minor premiers after losing only 3 games all season. Yet again, arch-rivals Kingborough spoiled the party, by defeating Cremorne in their home second semi-final final by 5 shots. Cremorne rebounded by defeating Glenorchy Rodman by 17 shots in the Preliminary Final. With the showdown set, Cremorne and Kingborough met on the Claremont synthetic green in what turned out to be a monumental Grand Final. Cremorne prevailed by 52 to 50 shots, winning their third Pennant in five years within this competition, capping off another great year for the Club.



**Join us:** The Club continues its bowls program through the winter months, with social outdoor bowls on Tuesdays and Saturdays, and indoor carpet bowls on Wednesday evenings. The Club encourages all to come and play at its social bowls events.

- *Phil Ions, Hon Treasurer*

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It has been lovely to welcome students back to Term 2 and to see them engaging with their learning and fellow classmates. Stu Warren is Acting Principal at Campbell Street Primary School for this term and I've taken on the role as Acting Principal at South Arm.



**Anzac Day Services** - On April 25, four of our Year 6 student leaders represented our school at the Anzac Day services in South Arm, enjoying the experience and proud to lay wreaths on behalf of our school. **Top photo:** Astrid and Shae at the Dawn Service. **Bottom photo:** Peyton and Chelsea at South Arm Memorial Park.



**Election BBQ and Bake Sale** - On May 3 the School Association held a very successful stall and raised over \$2000! Money raised supports our students in many ways. For example, paying for our Prep to Year 2 students to attend the Water Safety program and for the Grade 6 leavers' tops. Thank you to the many families, community members and staff who supported this event by donating items and by volunteering to run the stall.

**b kinder school** - South Arm Primary is a b kinder school. This program is led by student leaders and encourages a culture of kindness and compassion. Recently our Grade 6 students joined an online workshop for students from b kinder schools around Australia. The session looked at modelling kindness and how school leaders can help encourage kindness in schools.



**Launching into Learning (for ages 0-5 years)** - This term Judy Kerrisk is running our Launching into Learning (LiL) sessions. LiL is a free program for young children and their families. It's a great way to get to know your local school and other families in your community. Sessions commence at 9.30am on Fridays in the school library. If you'd like to know more about LiL, please contact the school office.

- Jenny Gardner, Acting Principal, South Arm Primary School | [6239 9126](tel:62399126)

### PCEP - Person-Centred Emergency Preparedness



A TAS SES program to support people with a disability and other community members in preparing for natural emergencies.

Sessions: Thursday, 12 June at 11:00 AM and Tuesday, 8 July at 11:00 AM

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## Peninsula Memories - K's Story

See if you can recognise this well known South Arm resident by her photo! Here is a selection of K's very fond memories.

I now live in the shack constructed by my Dad in 1950. We visited the shack most weekends, driving down on the Friday afternoon after buying fish and chips in Bellerive for tea. The road from the Cremorne turn off was dirt - Dad would wash down the dust with a beer at the old RSL.

Originally the shack had only two rooms. One a bedroom and the second was used as a kitchen with a Warmray wood heater for warmth. As time passed more rooms were added.



When the Cartela sailed in with people on a company annual picnic my sister and I would blend in with the kids to get sweets and ice cream. (Naughty but fun!)

I had a great childhood, grabbing the dinghy to catch Cocky Salmon when we saw them working. We were always home for meals even after walking to Roaring Beach across the rocks or overland catching rabbits or rowing the dinghy when my Dad was setting or pulling in nets. Of course there was plenty of swimming. I loved sailing my Moth yacht. Dad would have crays hanging on the fence and we often enjoyed fresh flounder for breakfast. I remember Mum putting cold tea on my sunburn.



The family eventually moved to the shack, which meant travelling a long way by bus to finish High School. Many years later after marrying and raising a family I returned to the shack to make it my home.

***I am blessed to be living in the same spot my Mum and Dad purchased in the early 1950s.  
Scenery, community - wow! Unbelievable!"***

***Please share your own Peninsula Memories and help us add to the Peninsula's history.  
We'd love to hear, share and preserve your memories. Email: [editor@southarm.tas.au](mailto:editor@southarm.tas.au)***

## Friends of the Bays update

### Voting Salmon Out - 'missed it by that much' (Maxwell Smart)

The last few weeks have been a roller coaster ride for our group. In late April we participated in the 'Vote Salmon Out' rally on the parliamentary lawns. Our accidental president Steve Sanders was one of several speakers and, as we have come to expect, his address was passionate and moving. Successful as the rally was, its aim to vote salmon friendly politicians out of office was not. Nonetheless, around the south east, coastal communities voted in force for independent and green candidates. We now need to spread the word to coastal suburbs too. Howrah, Bellerive, Lindisfarne - here we come.

Meanwhile, in Storm Bay, concern is developing about what appears to be excessive sea grass growth. Sea grass is generally welcome, but if excessive tends to be followed by epiphytic algal growth. This seems to have occurred in Pipeclay Lagoon, and may have contributed to declining oyster production.

The most likely cause is an increase in nutrients in the water, particularly nitrogen and phosphate. and the biggest source of these nutrients is the fish farms sitting out there off the east coast of Bruny Island. There are around 48 pens there now - and this is expected to double. Thousands of fish = *one helluva lot of fish poo* = three times as much nitrogen than what comes from treated sewage from the human population.

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



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## St Barnabas - our community church

**Shoe Box:** It's that time of year again, collecting items for our annual charity donation. We usually start packing shoe boxes in August ready for collection in September, so when you are about shopping, please think of buying a few extra small items between now and the end of July.  
For more information please visit [operationchristmaschild.org.au](http://operationchristmaschild.org.au)



**Mothers Day service:** Parishioners received flowers donated by the South Arm Shop. Thank you.

### SAFIRE Winter Festival events

Sat. 12 July (a.m.) - Propagation of native plants lessons  
Sat. 19 July 10am to 2pm - Garage Sale, Cricklewood Animal Sanctuary

### Sunday service visitors

1 June Graham Roberts from Gideon's  
6 July Maggie Mead from the Leprosy Mission

**June and July services** every Sunday at 10am with a cuppa in the hall after the service. All welcome.

- Rachel Todd St Barnabas | [stbarnabas.au](http://stbarnabas.au)

## The South Arm Community Market

**The Easter/April** market saw the South Arm Fire Brigade come with sirens blaring and Easter eggs given out to all the kids and others. The weather forecast was a bit of a deterrent but for the most part the stallholders soldiered on and dished out lots of yummy hot food and drinks to be consumed while wandering through the amazing crafts and artisan wares.

I found myself a bit gobsmacked with "Della Reposhed". What a creative lady! I'm so looking forward to seeing more of her wonderful and unique pieces.

**The May market**, our final one for 3 months, was a little windy but loaded with plenty of Mother's Day gifts for the special members of our families. Sam's Sourdoughs were amazing for Mum's breakfast. There were also some pretty special plants around to choose from as well as the arts and crafts.

The South Arm shop has been the generous donor of hampers for the raffle during 2024 /25 year. We are so very lucky to have such a supportive and generous business in our community and simply can't thank you enough.

Debbie and Henri have taken to coordinating our market and the seamless transition has been nothing short of incredible. Well done. We hope you have a little breathing space now before the commencement again in September.

Thanks also go to Dylan Harvey who has taken on the preparation and early bird setting up of the oval for the stallholders to stream in seamlessly. The handling of the signage, tables and multitudes of other jobs. We are so very grateful for your input.

**Please keep safe and well. We'll see you back in September with more fantastic events.**

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



## Young creatives flourish

Over the school holidays, local young artists enthusiastically engaged with multiple creative workshops at the South Arm Community Centre. We played with clay, customised surfboards, perfected making pom poms- there was something for every palette.

So grateful to all who participated and looking forward to the next workshop soon.

Keep posted: <https://events.humanitix.com/host/erin-prickle>



SOUTH ARM PENINSULA

## MEN'S SHED

# GARDEN STAKES

Recycled treated pine

**\$1.50 ea (with point)**  
**\$1.00 ea (no point)**

approx 1500mm long, 20mm square

**0439 202 822**  
[menshed@southarm.tas.au](mailto:menshed@southarm.tas.au)

Order/collect from the Shed - Wednesdays 9-1  
2972 South Arm Road



for all your

# TREE REQUIREMENTS

felling, trimming, removal etc.

## Ron Suris

# 0418 122 735





## Relay for Life - South Arm participation: past, present and pink

This team based fund-raising event for the Cancer Council is held in communities around Australia each year at different times.

South Arm community members have played a part and still do. In the 2000's a group of locals under the team name **South Arm Pink-Eyes** were regular participants. Our Apr-May 2006 newsletter reports their achievement of raising over \$9000. Two years later in our Mar-Apr 2008 newsletter they pop up again after receiving an Achievement Award for raising a total of over \$24,000 in three years.

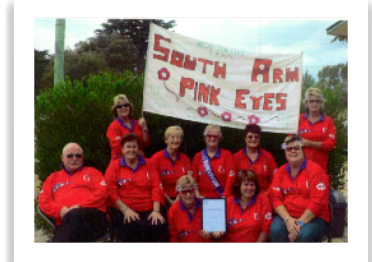


**Fast forward to 2025.** Mary Holten (pink T-shirt) has just clocked up 20 years as a Relay for Lifer. Mary was not a South Arm resident in the Pink-Eyes days but remembers them as one of many sharing this celebration of survivors, remembrance of loved ones and the fight back against cancer....

*"In 2004 a staff member at Lauderdale Primary asked for people to participate in a Relay for Life team for the Sorell Lions Club. I had no idea what that entailed except it was a 24 hr relay raising funds for the Tasmanian Cancer Council. I remember when I first started, seeing the South Arm Pink Eyes team in action.*

*I was inspired to start a school team the following year at Lauderdale called Cob and Co. When I left LPS we changed the name to Mayhem as team members were from all over the place! I have proudly just completed my 19th year as team captain and over the years we've raised about \$70,000. It is an amazing event for such a worthwhile charity."*

...Mary Holton, South Arm | Learn more at [www.relayforlife.org.au/](http://www.relayforlife.org.au/)



## Offcuts from the Shed

**Plate with a Mate:** A unique culinary shed event is planned for **Wednesday 11 June** - a Plate with a Mate lunch hosted by Eat Well Tasmania as part of Men's Health Week. Members are invited to bring their own recipes along to trade or to contribute to a recipe book.



**New Technology:** Members of the shed now have internet access both through wifi and an Apple iMac. The computer, with attached printer, can be used in many ways, e.g. watch instructional videos on YouTube. Another aspect of this giant technological leap for the shed will be the installation of a smart TV in the crib room. But no play-stations ... yet..

**Health:** Around the time of putting this piece together I attended a walk-in vax clinic at our local pharmacy. A wide range of vaccine shots can be had there, and then you can spend the 15 minutes post injection wait period down at the Mo. Flu shots are a wise annual event but here on the peninsula can be part of a nice day out. Why not get that Covid booster at the same time (every 6 months if over 75).

And some good news re health. There is now solid evidence that having a Shingles vaccination will protect you not only from Shingles, which can be nasty and persistent, but there's more! Not steak knives, way better - a 20% lowering of risk of dementia for at least 5 years!!! Talk to Kim or Matt at the South Arm Community Pharmacy. It's free for those over 65 years old.

- 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

## SOUTH ARM PENINSULA MEN'S SHED



## Sandford Scouts - new skills, new experiences



**Our Annual ANZAC camp** was again well supported. From our Australian War Memorial Box our focus was on Australia in Wartime and Peacekeeping Operations since 1946. Cubs and Scouts slept over at Calverton Hall, attended the Dawn Service and were joined by the Joeys for the Day Service. Earlier, we invested our new Joey Leader Goanna (Marty). The Cubs, under guidance of the older Scouts, made Wreaths out of native vegetation, their way of saying "Thank you for your service".

**Joeys** (5-8yrs) have been exploring nature, hiking, building navigation skills, looking at bird habitats and finishing off the term with cooking damper over a log fire.

**Cubs** (8-11yrs) learnt about GPS, waypoints and successfully navigated around an unknown trail. They have made wetland Geocache and worked as a team on different challenges.

**Scouts** (11-15 yrs) have been very busy with older Scouts on planning, risk assessment and leading overnight hikes in small groups to Wine Glass Bay and Maria Island. The Scouting Method **Plan, Do, Review**, with qualified Leaders and Parent Support, allows the youth to Learn by Doing. Knowledge and confidence gained is immeasurable, Well-Done Scouts.

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

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**Thank You!**

I am grateful and humbled by your support.

I will continue to work hard for the South Arm community.

*Julie*

**Julie Collins**  
Federal Member for Franklin

18 Ross Avenue (PO Box 38)  
Rosny Park, TAS 7018  
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julie.collins.mp@aph.gov.au

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## South Arm Fire Brigade

### Home fire safety advice for winter



Now that Summer has passed and we're heading towards winter, house fires are a much more likely risk than bush fires.

**Have you replaced the battery in your smoke alarms?**

Fires are fast!



**After 30 seconds** smoke alarms should have detected the fire and alerted your family.

Without warning, **by the 60 second mark** the fire will have taken hold, be growing quickly and poisonous smoke will start to develop.

**By the 3 minute mark** the fire will have reached in excess of 800 deg. C, all room contents will be on fire as will other rooms in the house.

**In the case of a fire, acting quickly is vital - Fires are FAST**

To help with fire safety within the home, the Tasmanian Fire Service has a new **Home Fire Safety guide** with lots of great information. Available at: [www.tfseducation.com.au/documents/home-fire-safety-guide/download](http://www.tfseducation.com.au/documents/home-fire-safety-guide/download)

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

COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION #1

**CAT MANAGEMENT IN CLARENCE**

**SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY 1-4PM**

**SANDFORD HALL, 949 S ARM RD, SANDFORD**

[https://www.landcaretas.org.au/25cat\\_management\\_in\\_clarence](https://www.landcaretas.org.au/25cat_management_in_clarence)

Come and learn about the threats domestic, stray and feral cats pose to human health and the environment, to promote responsible pet ownership, and to provide practical activities that can be undertaken by Landcare groups and individuals to monitor and control feral cat populations.

**Stay tuned for our second cat management ACTION planning session- 15th November 2025**

**RSVP HERE**

Get in touch: [support@landcaretas.org.au](mailto:support@landcaretas.org.au)

Supported by **City of Clarence**

**SAPRA MEMBERSHIP** | 1 April 2025 - 30 June 2026

**\$2 per person**

Name(s)

Address

Phone  Email

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](tel:0434499730) | [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](tel:0418374305) | [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](tel:0400140870)

### Animal services

#### Sandford Cat Hotel

5 star luxury for your cat.  
Hazel Jones [0403 568 999](tel:0403568999)

### Automotive

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

Anthony [0412 110 992](tel:0412110992)

### Beauty

#### Jewellery

Handmade precious jewellery designed & made in South Arm. Gavin [0414 629 185](tel:0414629185)  
[www.gavinmacsporrnan.com.au](http://www.gavinmacsporrnan.com.au)

#### Mj's Hair Design

Fully qual. hairdressers, facial waxing/tinting.  
3120 South Arm Rd, Wed to Sat, or by appt. [6239 9612](tel:62399612) | [0421 859 408](tel:0421859408)

#### Mobile Haircuts

Professional haircuts in your home.  
Tania [0458 528 258](tel:0458528258) | Facebook.

#### South Arm Skin Care

Qual. beauty therapist (19+ yrs). Mj's hair design, 3120 South Arm Rd. Wed-Sat.  
[0409 552 869](tel:0409552869) | Facebook.

### Ceremony

#### Oakdown Celebrant

Naming days, weddings & more. Make your day unique. Tara Bellette  
[0408 367 932](tel:0408367932) | [tarabellette76@gmail.com](mailto:tarabellette76@gmail.com)

#### Lyn Gallagher, Marriage Celebrant

Weddings, Naming Days, Renewing of Vows, Special Birthdays, Funerals.  
[0459 769 419](tel:0459769419) | [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](tel:0460519037) | [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](tel:0468388560)

#### Bible Discussion - Connect Group

New members welcome. Fridays 10.30am. in Gellibrand Fellowship Hall at St Barnabas Church.  
Jane Beavan [6239 9244](tel:62399244)

#### 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](tel:0407875460) 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](tel:0412305794)

#### Bridge

Calverton Hall, Wednesdays at 2pm. New members and beginners welcome.  
Noela [0418 600 707](tel:0418600707)

#### 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](tel:62399321)

#### Rokeby Girls' & Boys' Brigades

Adventure for girls & boys 5-18yrs.  
Thu 5:30 - 7:30pm, at Emmanuel School.  
Libby [0416 277 101](tel:0416277101) | [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.

#### St Barnabas Community Church

Morning service, Sun. 10am. W/bee 10am, 1st Sat./month. | Rachel Todd, [6239 9706](tel:62399706) | Jane Beavan [6239 9244](tel:62399244).

### Exercise & activities

#### Cremorne Bowls Club

[www.cremorne.bowls.com.au](http://www.cremorne.bowls.com.au) [6248 9856](tel:62489856)

#### Indoor bowls

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

#### Evolve Fitness

Tue & Thu 5:30pm, Sat 8am. Sandford Community Hall .First Class Free.  
Susan [0488 707 056](tel:0488707056) | 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](tel:0498177916)

#### South Arm Fitness & Wellness Hub

Gym open 24/7. \$14 /week, no lock in contract. Yoga 9am Mon.  
Laura [0421 859 408](tel:0421859408)

#### Tennis Court

\$10/hr. Book at South Arm Store or after hours. Kate [0409 845 245](tel:0409845245).

#### Yoga at Lauderdale Hall

Strength & calm Asana, pranayama, Yoga Nidra & meditation. Wed 10.30-12pm.  
Margaret [0428 252 560](tel:0428252560)

### Food & dining

#### Fresh fish delivered door to door

Every second Wed 11am-1pm. 30+ years. Robyn [0438 721 448](tel:0438721448) | [robldaze@bigpond.com](mailto:robldaze@bigpond.com)

#### Opossum Bay Store

Open 7 days. Great coffee, fishing, takeaways, groceries, tools, cards, petrol & friendly service. [6239 9134](tel:62399134)

#### 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](tel:62399171)

#### 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](tel:62955532) | 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)



### **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)

### **Heat Pump - service/installation\***

Mates rates.ARC Licence No. L186161. Contact Mark [0439 828 943](tel:0439828943) [mtr33434@bigpond.net.au](mailto:mtr33434@bigpond.net.au) \* conditions apply

## **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@landcaretas.org.au](mailto:mortimerbay@landcaretas.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)

### **Gaia's Light Spiritual Consultancy**

Accredited Reiki Treatment Prac., Chakra Balance, Akashic Records Prac., Wisdom of the Tarot & Write from Source©. [evie@lightmygaia.com](mailto:evie@lightmygaia.com) | [0466718244](tel:0466718244) [lightmygaia.com](http://lightmygaia.com) |Facebook.

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