



NEWS WAVES

AUGUST '90

Well here we are again! It's been five months since our last newsletter, and what a busy and 'interesting' few months it has been for us all!! Hopefully everyone is cheerfully battling through the dreary winter weather - don't worry - Spring is just around the corner!

Lots of exciting and positive developments are taking place around the estate. Our playground area has had a facelift, and is looking great these days. Local kids and visitors are having a ball on the newly renovated equipment there.

FISH CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL students, under the guidance of their teacher and Sandy Pt. resident Terry Haines, are planning wonderful things for the tree plantation area in mid September. They have been promised a \$2,000 grant from the Tree Victoria Foundation, and will put in 4 new plantations of Manna Gums, each of 200+ trees. Apparently the koala population is booming - and the Dept of C+E is contemplating a koala count which may take place in the September hols. There is lots of evidence of koala-feeding in our trees!

ROADSIDE CLEARING:

After a lot of letter-writing backwards and forwards, and petitioning by various groups and individuals, we reached an agreement with the Shire of St. Helens concerning the clearing of the roadsides at Sandy Pt.

A big effort by the Community, but rewarding in as much as now we know what can be achieved by responsible authorities and communities working towards a common cause. We now have a roadside that has been sensitively cleared.

FIRE BRIGADE:

Installation of kitchen facilities in the fire brigade shed are underway. We are most grateful to Mr. C. Clarke for the donation of a fridge. It is hoped to equip the kitchen so that when raining sessions are held, these can be followed by a family get together. The fire brigade is a valuable asset in this community and deserves the whole-hearted support of everyone.

P. TAYLOR HALL & TENNIS COURTS:

The tennis courts are used regularly by visitors to this area and are in urgent need of resurfacing. The estimated cost per court is \$6,500 to \$7,000. Enquiries are being made regarding a loan from the Shire to dress this matter. The only income that the committee receives comes from the hire of the hall and the honesty box. We are extremely grateful to Mr. Mrs. D. Dell for their wonderful effort in raising over \$400 from their cash and treasure market day. Despite their popularity the honesty box does not seem to be working.

The Committee would be grateful for any support or suggestions that Sandy Point rate payers can give us in raising funds for this project.

SHOP AREA

The proposed Shire plans for the shop area have been completed, and will be on display for comment at the Community Group meeting, planned for the 10th of August at the hall.

TOILET + PICNIC AREA.

The proposed area opposite the shop has also been planned by the Dept of C+E and will also be available for general perusal at the same meeting.

FORESHORE CMTEE NEWS:

A new gas barbeque will be installed at the picnic area near the existing toilet block, with more tables and seating as well. This will be well and truly ready for Christmas.

SUGGESTION BOX:

If you would like to have your say on any local matters via a suggestion box, there will be a new one put into the store in the near future. Sometimes people can't get to meetings, or would rather comment anonymously - so here's the opportunity. We are looking for positive, workable suggestions.

* Community Group Meeting with our West *
Rising Councillors

FRIDAY August 10th - All Welcome

6.30 pm - B.Y.O Casserole - Drink - Cutlery - Plates + Glass.

8.0 pm - Meeting

An agenda will be put forward - with open discussion afterwards. If you have anything you would like to raise at this meeting please put formal notification in Suggestion Box at shop no later than 6th August.



Gossip Column.....

RAFT PEOPLE? Are you interested in establishing an outlet for your craft in Sandy Point? If you are interested please contact Mary on 841-258 for more information.....

CONGRATULATIONS: To Tom and Rhonda Pilkington on their recent marriage. Best wishes to you both.

Our dear friend Norm Smith - is now a permanent resident at Banksia Lodge - I'm sure he'd love to see a few familiar faces from time to time - why not pop in for a chat?

Good to hear that Mary Mc. has 'thrown the cast' away, and in a week or so her leg should be as good as new. We hear that she's booked in for lessons in the Nambada Dancing School!

Marina Stratton thinks she lives in America - or at least as far as the road rules are concerned. Seems she doesn't know her left from right these days! A costly mistake.....! Keep those \$\$\$ rolling in Tassie!!

Best wishes to Colin and Debbie Cardilini - as this goes to air they could be first time parents. Hope everything goes well for your new adventure!

Travellers' diary:

Have you heard that there could be a new Balinese clothes and footwear outlet in Sandy Pt.?! For great bargains see Sue or Gill. (All items only slightly shop soiled!!)

CONGRATULATIONS and best wishes to Bob Inglefinger and his wife Jean on their impending retirement. Here's hoping that they enjoy an exciting and happy future relaxing and travelling.