



# Tasman Ecovillage Newsletter

June 2022

## Village News

This month we had several community gatherings including a Community Dinner, our monthly Discussion Forum, a Fireside Chat, our monthly TEVA Meeting and a Special General Meeting, all of these went well.

We also welcomed Cherie Menzies as an Associate Member and Sharda and Tony, Emma and Jason as Full Members, congratulations to all of you!

Also a reminder that the Membership Renewal emails have been sent out this week.

And a very warm welcome back to Jesse Brampton!

We have a new section in the newsletter for the monthly rainfall statistic that Sarah R has kindly offered to do.

In Ecovillage development news, Steven Cole has gotten a roof installed on his home, vehicle access has been created for lots 305, 306 and 307 and drainage work has started in Pod C, the drainage trench on the Hillside has been re-dug and will need some more work to be completed, Stephen Cole is helping with planning the drainage.

The maintenance list is being updated and will be recirculated to the community for feedback soon. A new bore pump is being purchased and a water filter system and a UV disinfection unit is being purchased for the Community Kitchen and BBQ area water supply. Two fresh quotes are being sourced for The Shed fascia board repair which is scheduled for early in the next financial year and that is all the information I have been able to collect for this month, best wishes to everyone in July!

### THANK YOU!

- Thank you to Alan for his latest edition to the newsletter!
- Thank you to everyone that attended the SGM!
- Thank you to Sarah R for her rainfall statistics addition to the newsletter!

- Thank you to Steven Cole and Ilan for holding the fireside chat!
- Thank you to Ian Kingston for his ongoing support at the village!
- Thank you to Dave Forsyth for fixing the water problem!

## Community Enhancement

Resident Alan Marshall has very kindly offered to continue doing articles for the newsletter, in this article Alan will be covering Community Enhancement.

As those who know me can testify – I can talk forever on compost, but this month I would like to move from that into an idea which has the enhancement of our community at heart.

We are a bunch of people that is gradually growing in numbers. We come from a diversity of backgrounds, life experiences, dreams, hopes, objectives and intentions. Yet! – how much do we know of each other? Not much, eh? For myself, this community is feeling much more like a family now than it has done in the past. It's been a rocky road for me, but seeing all you new folks coming in gives me a much greater sense of belonging and this is my deepest need now, the knowledge of having myself a family that I can give to and receive from. So, I have a proposal, a suggestion, which you might like to consider and see if it can take us forward in an exciting and fruitful way.

### “Getting to Know You”

Could we hold social sessions in which one person presents to us her or his story? Where we come from; our place of birth; our parental background; schooling; memorable moments; interesting anecdotes; anything we feel comfortable in sharing. It would not be compulsory, of course, not everyone will want to. Fully voluntary, set in an atmosphere of trust, mutual respect, love and compassion.

Carefully but lightly facilitated, with a set of protocols agreed between us at the start of each session, in order to keep it safe and friendly. Interchange of facilitators.

I would envisage it taking, say, 40-50 minutes for the presentation, then 10-20 minutes for questions, followed by light refreshments and general chat. It would not be expected that everyone will be able to attend, but if it's set as a particular day each month, that might allow more people to make their plans to attend if they wish.

Often I hear individuals talking about little snippets of their life and it fascinates me to imagine what it was like in their “other” parts of the world. If I question someone about their country of origin, it's not in a sense of being nosey or judgmental, just a genuine interest in their background, full of respect and welcoming.

There you have it: some of my ideas, let's try to keep it simple, not too complicated. Wishing you all a happy month of July, as we will see the Wattle coming out once again, to grace our beautiful land with multiple shades of glorious yellow.

Alan

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“We have around us numerous natural resources. Used wisely and with care, they can enhance our lives, at little or zero cost to the environment. My interest and focus is on integrating just a few of those resources for domestic use.”

- Alan Marshall

## Facebook Pages & Groups

- Tasman Notice-board (Tasmania, Australia)
- Dunalley Tasman Neighbourhood House Inc
- Country Women's Association in Tasmania (Inc)
- White Beach Coast Care
- Waterfalls of Tasmania
- Tasmanian Fungi
- Aurora Australis Tasmania
- Whale Spotting Tasmania
- Field Naturalists of Tasmania
- Bioluminescence Tasmania
- Tasmania Photography Group



## Local Information & Resources

We have so much information on the local area and many local resources and attractions available to us here on the Tasman Peninsula or Turrakana. Beauty and natural diversity surround us including waterfalls, deep sea caves, rugged coastlines, 300 metre high sea cliffs, blowholes, caves, tessalated rock formations and heritage listed convict sites.

Turrakana is also home to many animals including brush tail possums, wallabies, wombats, bandicoots, sea eagles, Australian fur seals, penguins, dolphins, migrating whales, endangered swift parrots and endangered wedge-tailed eagles.

## RAINFALL STATISTIC JUNE

In June we had 8 days without rain, our highest rainfall on a single day was 25ml and the total rainfall for the month was 114.5ml.



## IN JULY PLANT...

Artichokes, Asparagus, Garlic, Rhubarb, Shallots, Spring Onion.

# Tasman Ecovillage Events JUNE 2022

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
00	00	00	00	01 Fat Beets 2:30pm - 4:30pm	02	03
04 Discussion Forum 2pm - 4pm	05	06	07	08 Fat Beets 2:30pm - 4:30pm	09	10
11	12	13	14	15 Fat Beets 2:30pm - 4:30pm	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Fat Beets 2:30pm - 4:30pm	23	24 TEVA Meeting 10am - 12pm
25	26	27	28	29 Fat Beets 2:30pm - 4:30pm	30	31

# Businesses in the Village



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