



Tomakin Community Association General Meeting Minutes 25 February, 2021

Attendees: Shea-Lee Stanton, Holly Hatcher, Daphne Cole, Kathy McKenzie, Linda and Joe Sipeki, Kim Ward, Peter and Karen Crowe, Leonie and Peter Cornelly, Debbie Campion, Josh Stanton, Wendy Virtue, Lorna Habermann, Megan Kelly, Terri Barnwell, Judy Gibson, Alison and Andy Vigners, Wilf Berkeley, Anne Kenney, David Deacon, Stan Patterson

Apologies: Paula Fry, Barbie Bruce, Dave Nicholson, Sue and John Jackson, Vicki Lloyd, Mike Ward

Meeting opened 7:11pm

Welcome - Daphne Cole (Vice President) declared the meeting open in the absence of a President, welcoming everybody to the Tomakin Community Association General Meeting

Holly presented the minutes of the previous general meeting in October 2020. Proposed by Daphne Cole, Seconded by Leonie Cornelly.

Holly presented correspondence In and Out, which is available for anyone who would like to view it.

Shea-Lee presented the Treasurer's report. Triathlon made up majority of income this year \$1475. No BBQ's, low memberships. \$465 in memberships and \$2210 in donations. 131 members. \$25,739.49 balance. Proposed by Daphne Cole, seconded by Holly Hatcher.

Items for Discussion:

1. Tomakin Cove Beach Access

- a. TCA is using money from Triathlon to buy a bench seat to place at the top of the middle access to Tomakin Cove for elderly or those physically unable, to sit and watch. ESC will install the bench. Could we also get a bike rack? Many bikes laying around and will likely be leaned against the new bench seat.
- b. Daphne and Lorna met with David Bohun from ESC parks and maintenance team. Nothing can be done to north access under Melville Point.
Customer service requests have been made for middle access to be levelled out, vegetation pushed back, boards cleared and rails/wire replaced. Apologies were made as it should have been done in 2020, however priorities changed after bushfires. What is happening with storm water drain? Can it be made accessible to prams/wheelchairs?
- c. Reid St is ESC preferred access to beaches, however there is no funding to fix up the road/carpark. Hoping to get vegetation cleared back, signs replaced and rails replaced.

2. Main Beach Area

- a. Council has advised that both beach accesses will be left as they are. Main access is not feasible to keep replacing after the southerly storms and king tides. The “new” bush access is restricted by sustainability groups - cant cut back vegetation on sand dunes.
- b. Toilet block will be cleaned up to begin mozaic
- c. Still no response from Andrew Constance re Tomaga River dredging
- d. Concerns over how thin the spit is in some areas, and will it wash away sooner rather than later. Families still crossing over causing much erosion. Fences are falling over as there is not enough sand to stay upright. What has been done by Coastal Management project? What results have they had? It seems much more needs to be done.

Action: Added to agenda for ESC meeting. Sub-committee formed to address these issues: Anne Kenney, David Deacon, Peter Crowe, Karen Crowe, Alison Vigners, Andy Vigners, Megan Kelly

3. **Snake bites** - A dog was bitten by a snake and died in back yard along Sunpatch. Cat bringing in Eastern Brown snakes. Sightings of large brons, blacks and pythons. Please report any sightings to ESC ranger.

Action: Anne to place in next newsletter and Holly to put message on Facebook

4. **Emergency magnets** - have been printed and will be delivered by committee volunteers once envelopes have been bought and printed out. Delivered to every residence in Tomakin including Barlings Dr etc, the 3 caravan parks and any left over will go up Tomakin Rd.

Action: Shea-Lee to buy envelopes and have labels printed, then committee to deliver

5. **Life Membership** - Daphne presented Debbie Campion with a TCA Life Membership for her 7 years of passion and dedication to the community. Debbie was honoured to accept on behalf of all the people she has worked with over the years.

6. **JB Park** - Works to be done May/June. Anticipated playground will be out of action for the duration of the upgrades, approximately 4 weeks. ESC asking for funds from TCA for sofftall.

Action: Committee to make decision and Holly to communicate this to Emma Gorney.

7. **Bioblitz** - Guerilla Bay Bioblitz on March 5th. All elcome. Free but tickets required.

8. **Tomakin Rd truck access** - Tomakin Rd will be accessible for 26m B-Double trucks as an alternate route when other roads are inaccessible ie during the bushfires. It will not be the main route for these trucks.
9. **TCA Grants** - Approximately \$500 remaining after magnets from Coordinaire. Another \$800 communities grant. Thoughts were to apply for another extension from Coordinaire to put together with \$800 and have a "Family Fun Day" for the opening of JBP.

Action: Shea-Lee to apply for extension of grant with Coordinaire

10. **Call for President** - Megan Kelly to act as TCA President until the next AGM.
Proposed by Judy Gibson, Seconded by Lorna Habermann. All in favour, no objections.

General Business:

- a. Concerns over the erosion of the spit and condition of fences
Action: Placed on agenda for ESC meeting
- b. TCA member was told by a council worker that the other workers don't bother doing anything in Tomakin as it just gets ruined/undone.
- c. Email from Vicki Lloyd questioning why council is only mowing a single strip along the front of Beachside Boulevard houses and not mowing the large "reserve" area on corner of Red Hill and Ainslie/Sunpatch Pde. Other members at the meeting also had the same issue with lack of mowing and concerns over snakes and ticks as well as the unsightly look of it.
Action: Placed on agenda for ESC meeting
- d. Fishing platform - still no news on grant results, but TCA has been informed that the platform will have to be made from concrete, not Replas.
Action: Placed on agenda for ESC meeting
- e. Request for Ducks Crossing signs around roundabout denied by ESC
- f. Query as to why there are no speed signs turning from Dunns Cr Rd towards Tomakin.
Action: Placed on agenda for ESC meeting
- g. Yarralumla intersection with Ainslie Pde has no give way signs or line markings. A member almost had an accident and questioned whether there should be signs present.

h. Mozaic has been designed: birds in a tree, goanna, native animals etc and work will begin in approximately 2 weeks. Mogo PS students provided images and names in Dhurga. 10 people signed up to help already.

i. Bunnings - Daphne reported on behalf of Sue and John. COVID restrictions easing...only require 4 people, instead of 5 and no COVID marshall required. A list of volunteers was taken to give to John and Sue to start looking at getting back into Bunnings.

Action: Shea-Lee to contact Sue and John and pass on Volunteer list

j. Multiple concerns over speed of cars travelling along Sunpatch Pde - lack of speed signs, no footpath. A resident counted 77 cars in 20 mins and 50% were speeding.

Is it possible to get more speed signs? Kids playing/Hold my hand?Keep me safe etc signs? Chicane or other slow points installed?

Action: Placed on agenda for ESC meeting

Next Meeting: Tentatively Thurs 13 May 2021

Meeting closed 8:55pm