

# NEWSLETTER



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## Next TCA General Meeting

7.00pm Thursday March 16, 2023 at the Tomakin Sports & Social Club

We'd love to see you there!

*TCA Mission Statement: "To help make Tomakin an even better place to live, work, rest and play by delivering results through engagement with all relevant stakeholder groups."*

## FEBRUARY 2023



## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Dear Members, Residents and Visitors,

A belated Happy New Year to everyone.

We are excited to announce that this year is our silver anniversary of the TCA incorporation – serving Tomakin and its community. I know some of you will think that the TCA has been around for a lot longer, and in different forms the association has existed for many years. What we found out with a search on the NSW Department of Fair Trading Database was that an application was lodged with the Department on 9th June 1998 to amalgamate the Tomakin Community Trust and The Tomakin Community Residents and Ratepayers Association.

To celebrate this magnificent milestone of serving the community we are currently planning a number of activities throughout the year including a special event on the 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> June weekend. The details for this event are still being planned, we will let you know more as the preparations progress.

To begin with, we have captured our proud history in a brand new logo and we are creating some fantastic merchandise for our supporters to celebrate with us. We would love to hear your feedback on the logo—we love it.

We are collecting our history as told by people who know Tomakin the best – our past and current

residents! We would love to collect stories by talking to you, and maybe even make some videos. Very soon we are launching a survey to capture these stories, keep an eye out on our Facebook page. If you would like to know more you can send us an email to [25years@tomakincommunityassociation.com](mailto:25years@tomakincommunityassociation.com) and we will have one of the team contact you directly.

Phew, that's a lot to keep us busy, however, we still have a number of projects still on the boil. Here are just a few:

- Continuing to build our relationship with the ES Council. We are planning on inviting the General Manager, Warren Winn, to tour Tomakin and maybe join us at the next General Meeting.
- We were very disappointed to hear in December that our grant application to replace the basketball ring in JB park was unsuccessful. We will continue to work with the council to have funding allocated to this vital community project.
- Our Community Liaison Officer has been very busy. See Liz's update on page 3 of the newsletter.
- We are continuing to develop the TCA priorities for 2022-2025, although we may now rename it 2023-2026 priorities. We will launch the "Planning for the Future" survey in May to enable members of our community have a say about what activities you would like to see TCA focus on.
- With the success of our first Community Day held in May 2022, planning commenced for the 2023 TCA Community Day which will be held in October.
- The 2023 Tomakin Calendar competition was launched in January, we are hoping the 2024 Calendar will be available for sale at the Community Day.

In October's newsletter I wrote about the TCA's new mission statement: *To help make Tomakin an even better place to live, work, rest and play by delivering results through engagement with all relevant stakeholder groups.* Our aim is to continue to strive to meet this intention in everything we do.

In closing, wasn't it wonderful to see our beaches and local shops, restaurants and cafes busy with visitors over the Christmas period for the first time in 3 years? Although, I do admit it's also nice to have it all to ourselves again. I can't believe we are at the end of February already. Hopefully the worst of the wet weather is behind us now and we can enjoy some belated summer weather.

Our next General Meeting is on the 16<sup>th</sup> March at the TSSC. Please come along and hear all about our plans for the exciting year ahead, everyone is welcome. If you want to be involved in organising our TCA Silver Celebrations we are more than happy for you to join us.

**Megan Kelly**  
President  
Tomakin Community Association

## TCA CALENDAR COMPETITION



Entries are now being accepted for the next edition (2024) of the TCA Calendar. Find all the details about the competition at the Tomakin Community Association's website <http://tomakincommunityassociation.com/index.php/2023/01/17/2024-tomakin-calendar-photo-competition/>, this includes the Terms and Conditions (Rules) and some Tips and FAQs.

**The competition closes on 30 April 2023, so get snapping everyone .**

## RALLY FOR RECOVERY



### Household items

If you are having a clean out or moving house and would like to donate resaleable goods and furniture, give Rally for Recovery a call and they can arrange pick-up and deliveries.

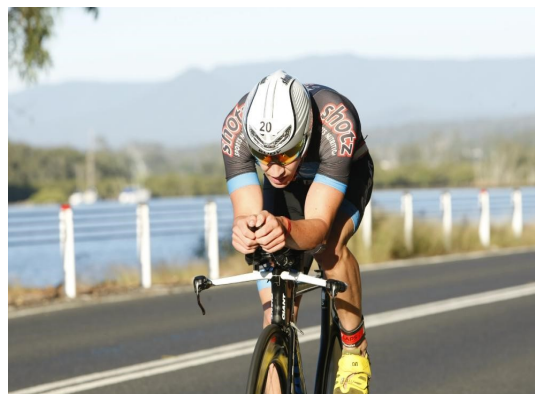
Rally is open from 9am-12noon on Wednesdays and Saturdays. You can contact Phil on 0406 363 166.

Email: [rallyshedtomakin@gmail.com](mailto:rallyshedtomakin@gmail.com)

Be sure to follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Rally-for-Recovery-Tomakin-241815062946381>

## TRI BATEMANS BAY

MARCH 25, 2023



Hello TCA Members

I hope you have enjoyed wonderful holiday times with your family and friends.

As in previous years Tomakin Community Association has supported the running of the Batemans Bay Triathlon in Tomakin by coordinating a group of volunteers to help out on the day. In return Elite Energy pay a donation to TCA based on numbers and hours worked. This money is used by TCA to help fund projects within our beautiful village. The 2022 Triathlon donation was put towards the seat at the entrance to Tomakin Cove and a few of our fees and insurances required to keep TCA incorporated.

**The Triathlon this year will be held on the streets of Tomakin on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2023.**

I invite you to please consider volunteering a few hours of your time to help support this event and also TCA.

There are positions at water aid stations, start and finish lines as well as general jobs.

This is the link to the event where you can register your interest.

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=46940&G=168661>

Please make sure you select Group participant Tomakin Community Association, donation and answer all the questions. With the Working With Children question if you have a certificate please write your registration number in if your don't have a certificate just write No. You **do not** have to apply for a certificate to be able to volunteer for this event.

Thank you for your time and I hope to see some registrations rolling in. I am the co-ordinator for TCA if you have any questions please feel free to contact me direct.

**Daphne Cole**

Vice President

Tomakin Community Association

## TCA COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

Since October the Tomakin Community Association's President and Community Liaison Officer (CLO) have met with key stakeholders in the region to discuss relevant grant programs and upcoming regional developments.

In early November, the TCA president and CLO met with Kizzy Nye, who is the coordinator for the Monash Universities Fire to Flourish program (this is the link: (<https://www.tacsi.org.au/our-work/hero-initiative/fire-to-flourish>)) in the Eurobodalla region. This program is running in four communities across NSW and Victoria affected by the 2019/20 Australian bushfire season. The program aims to support communities lead their own recovery, build resilience, and disrupt cycles of entrenched disadvantage (see link above).

In December the TCA president and CLO also met with the Chair of the Mogo Village Business Chamber, Richard Adams to discuss issues such as fire recovery, and the development of both the pump track in Mogo, and the Mogo mountain bike trails ([https://www.esc.nsw.gov.au/council/major-projects/current-projects/planning-recreation-business/mogo-adventure-trail-hub-strategy?SQ\\_VARIATION\\_155614=0](https://www.esc.nsw.gov.au/council/major-projects/current-projects/planning-recreation-business/mogo-adventure-trail-hub-strategy?SQ_VARIATION_155614=0)), and possible opportunities for Tomakin.

The TCA's Community Liaison Officer Liz Clout can be contacted at: [communityliaisonofficer@tomakincommunityassociation.com](mailto:communityliaisonofficer@tomakincommunityassociation.com).



**TCA is having a Membership Drive: Why should you become a member you ask? The more members we have, the stronger the voice we have in lobbying the Council to support and improve Tomakin's environment and facilities. You will also be on our emailing list to receive important information impacting Tomakin. We currently have just over 160 members on our membership database. Normally the membership runs with the financial year. If you aren't a member join now and receive 16 months for the nominal fee of \$5 per person per year.**

## Hazards Near Me App

View emergency warnings and advice for fires and floods in NSW.

Hazards Near Me NSW is now live .

You can find current information about local emergencies on Hazards Near Me. The app shows information provided from emergency services on:

- bush fires
- floods
- advice on what to do to stay safe.

The app also provides other warnings and activities in your area:

- fire danger ratings
- total fire bans
- hazard reduction activities.

The app can send you push notifications when there are new incidents or when information changes.

**Download the Hazards Near Me NSW App to receive notifications for fires and floods, just set your zone area to receive notifications.**

## Roadworks on Sunpatch Parade

ESC is preparing to undertake roadworks along a section of Sunpatch Parade between the Tomakin Sports Club and Jack Buckley Memorial Park. The work is designed to improve road drainage and safety, and will extend the pathway network.

Work includes:

- constructing a shared pathway to link the existing paths
- reducing the road width to deter motorists from speeding
- installing infrastructure to improve road drainage
- providing new kerb and gutter on both sides of the road.

They will extend the driveways and nature strip outside properties 34 to 40 Sunpatch Parade to tie into the new road edge. The Site Supervisor will contact residents if property access will be affected.

Work to establish the site began on Monday 13 February 2023. ESC expects the project to take approximately six weeks to complete, weather permitting.

During work, residents should expect heavy vehicles and machinery to be operating on the road and nature strip. The road will be closed to through traffic, with residents and visitors directed to/from properties within the work area as required. Buses and emergency service vehicles will be able to travel through the work site.

If you require further information, please phone ESC Works Engineer, Manuel Marquez on 0447 220 718.



# TOMAKIN RSL SUBBRANCH



## Australia Day Achievement Award Presented to Larrelle Buckley



President Gary Naylor (left) presented the certificate which was accepted on Larrelle's behalf by Vice President Terry Montgomery (right) for her outstanding contribution to the fundraising activities of the Tomakin Sub Branch of the RSL. Larrelle, who recently relocated to Queensland, was overcome with emotion when told of her award.

## ANZAC Day Raffle

The 2023 raffle to raise funds for the Tomakin Sub-branch will be kicking off soon. Look for ticket sellers at the Tomakin Sports & Social Club (usually next to the club raffle ticket sellers) and also outside the Tomakin IGA. Fantastic prizes this year include 3 x 40cm Bears, a kettle BBQ from Bunnings, \$100 voucher from Greenlands and a Supercheap Auto giftpack so far.

# FREE MEMBERSHIP

## We are looking for new members.

You do not need to be a current or ex-serving member as affiliate membership is available.

## What you'll receive:

- A membership badge that is recognised by veterans across Australia
- A free, quarterly membership magazine
- Services and support for you and your family
- Connection to camaraderie and mateship.

We meet at the Tomakin Sports and Social Club on the second **TUESDAY** of the month at 5pm. Our small but friendly sub-branch would welcome new members and **all membership is FREE**. Please contact David Deacon on M 0407 696 156.

## Gary Naylor

President  
Tomakin RSL Sub-Branch.  
M 0458466758.

## NEW TCA SURVEY

*Tomakin: Celebrating 25 Years of TCA – Our People, Our Stories.*

TCA has developed a new survey on Survey Monkey to gather together stories from our residents about themselves, their family life in Tomakin and their special memories. The survey will take about 5 minutes to complete.

We'll let you know very soon about how you can take the survey. We're looking forward to hearing your stories.

## NEVILLES'S FISHING REPORT



Well what a sorry time we have had over the past Christmas and new year period. The weather has been terrible, only just over the past week or so have we been receiving encouraging information about rock, beach, estuary and offshore results. Most rivers are starting to produce some reasonably good fishing. Strange as it may seem luderick are taking floater baits on small hooks in the form of prawn meat, weed seems to be hard to come by. There has been movement with black bream well up river around oyster leases and the silver of yellow bream are showing up on sandbars around high tide mark, prawn being the preferred bait, although nippers should work if you can find them. Snapper have appeared off long nose and around the inner reefs off Moruya heads. No reports of the old trusty morwong but some great flat-head are being taken off the known sandy areas like the wind sock off the drome beach and along the outer edge of the 4 mile reef. King fish and mia mia are still a little shy but I am sure will be about in small numbers. The holiday period was very disappointing but thankfully the weather tends to be settling down for the autumn and winter period coming. Not a lot of information on our old dusky flathead but of the few caught they were well up into the breeder release size. The rivers are clearing well after the floodings and the prawns are starting to run during the dark periods, size has been a problem but with two new moons under the belt they are now at a decent size and will be excellent by the end of February. There is no better flavour than south coast estuary prawns and the fish know that as well. No reliable word on offshore game fish but sharks, like snakes, due to the more pleasant warmer conditions, are causing some concern and need to be respected. So let us hope el-nino and la-nina sort out their differences and the weather continues to improve during the coming seasons. The trouble is nature is like human nature both have a mind of their own.

Fingers crossed there has been plenty of nutrients in the river runoff's to satisfy the start of the food chain from the estuaries. I believe the great bonanza fishing competition went exceedingly well on the October long weekend.

So until the next report keep those rods held high and those lines tight.

GOOD FISHING.

## TCA WEBSITE QR CODE

Just scan the QR code below for quick access to the TCA Website.







# Membership Application Form

Renewal

New Member

## Applicant 1

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Applicant 2

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Membership Fees

Memberships are \$5 per person (non-refundable) and run by financial year, due July 1st.

Payments can be made by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT):

BSB 641800 ACC 200087561

Please leave your name as reference.

Alternatively, you can leave monies and forms at The Tomakin Sports & Social Club or post to PO Box 207, Moruya NSW 2537.

Please circle: Cash    Cheque    EFT

1 year (\$5)    2 years (\$10)    3 years (\$15)    4 years (\$20)    5 years (\$25)

## Donations

Would you like to make a donation towards projects for the benefit of the Tomakin Community?

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Other Information

I/We hereby apply for membership to the Tomakin Community Association Inc.

I/We agree to receive the TCA Newsletter and other TCA correspondence by email.

I/We agree to abide by the relevant membership provisions under the TCA Constitution.

Constitution can be found at <https://www.tomakincommunityassociation.com/about>

## Signature

Applicant 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_