



TRURO AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

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Special points of interest:

- **Semi Roll-over**
- **Red Cross Bushfire Donations**
- **Primary School Building News**
- **Web site**
- **Pioneer Park**

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Another Near Disaster !

The recent Semi Trailer roll-over in Moorundie Street was due to speeding and could have been a very big disaster had the load it was carrying been a flammable liquid. Fortunately it wasn't. This prompted the Association to write to Council, the Police and Graham Gunn, Member for Stuart highlighting the need for more action to be taken to try and solve some of the problems with speeding vehicles through the town. The results of tests done in 2004 and 2006 after the introduction of the protuberances was that there was a general lowering of the speed of vehicles travelling through the town. Another significant problem is the use of North Terrace by Semitrailers, B-Doubles and cars as a means of a

bypass with it being used as a 'speed track'. The issue here is the safety for the access and egress to the Sturt Highway at both ends of North Terrace and the side streets of Freight and Passenger Streets. The quality of the road surface in North Terrace is not sufficient to sustain the heavy vehicle movements as is instanced by the break up of the surface adjacent to the rear of the Holmes' residence.

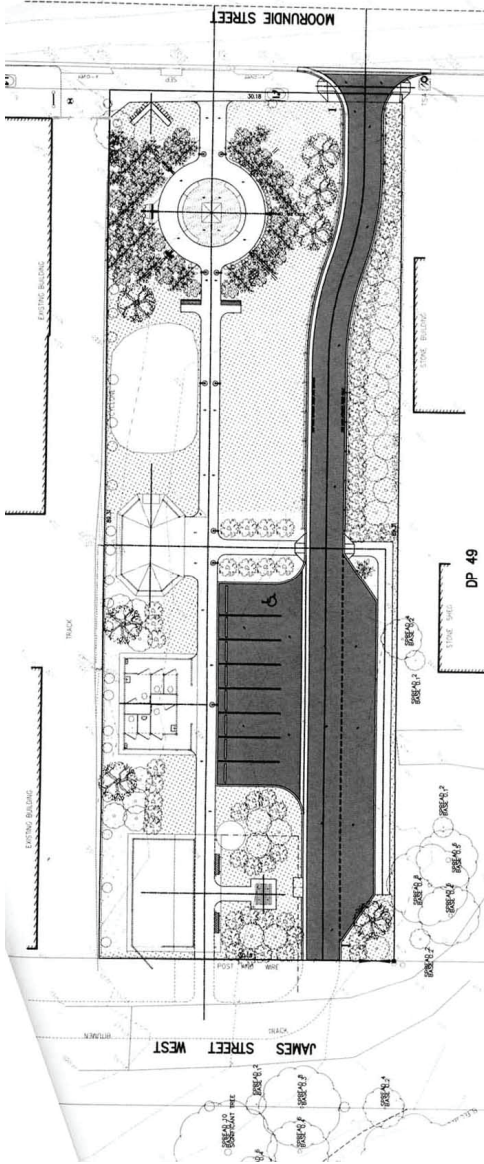
This issue was raised with Council staff some time ago, in particular to speeding cars along North Terrace with the suggestion of downgrading the intersection of Dutton Mail road and the Sturt Highway. To date no response has been received regarding this suggestion. Cont. **P 2**

Truro CFS Volunteers help clean up the mess!

Photo courtesy Robert Sherwood



REMINDER! - History week display at Truro Primary School will be on Thursday 28th May 2009



Pioneer Park Development And Oval Re-Development

Board Members who represent the Association on the Truro Projects Advisory Committee, a Section 41 Sub-Committee of Council recently met with Mr Stan Robb, (Consulting Engineer) from Gilbert and Associates and spent time discussing the latest version of the draft Concept Plan for Pioneer Park (See opposite). Many items in the plan were discussed including the gazebo, front entrance, toilet, implement shed, Sturt Memorial, Historical signage, walling and use of the Town Logo. The concept when completed will be a great asset to the town and the tourists and travellers. Historian, Reg Munchenberg has offered to supply relevant Historical data. It is envisaged that project would commence during winter however Council's work plan will not allow any works to commence prior to Spring. An extension of time will be requested from DTEI for completion of this stage of the plan.

At the same meeting discussions were had to finalise the plans for the re-development of the Oval complex which was destroyed by fire in June last year. Council have been advised that the \$53,500 Federal Government grant monies applied for had been approved. Approvals for the next stage have to be obtained from Council and quotes for works and materials before construction can proceed.

Cleaning Truro Creek in Heroes Park

A request was made to Council to take the opportunity to clean out the creek in Heroes Park whilst it is dry, however EPA and other requirements require that this project would need to be costed and submitted to Council for consideration as a Capital Item in the 2009-10 budget. Works Manager, Andrew Strauss stated the requirements of water courses that have material removed from them need to be tested for toxic or acidic materials and needs to be placed on plastic for a period of about five weeks whilst this occurs. Depending on results the material then has to be disposed of accordingly. Cr. Schultz has made the request to Council on behalf of the Association.

Truro Hotel Sports and Social Club

A recent Auction conducted by the Truro Sports and Social Club of donated goods raised \$2,900 and was forwarded to the Victorian Bushfire Appeal.

Another near disaster—Cont. from P1

This would hopefully make the use by both trucks and cars of the Eastern exit onto the highway far safer and slow the traffic. It is also recognised that access and egress of Sturt Highway at the Western end of the town via the Eudunda turnoff into North Terrace is also not good and can be quite dangerous for other vehicles using the intersection. We understand the need for some wide loads to use this North Terrace route, but that is usually with an escort and this is not an issue. Council's immediate response was to place counters on North Terrace, and the CEO indicated he would keep the community informed of the situation.

BMX Track

In reply to a request for the development of a BMX track at the Oval, the Council stated that consent for a Development Plan application is required indicating the location, size and scale of the track. The suggested area is the North East corner in the Pine Trees was not granted as this area is set aside for disposal of sewerage waste. With major changes that may take place at the Oval with the Integrated Water Plan, the Association agreed to leave this project for the moment and consider it if there are any Grant monies that may be applied for in the future for this type of development.

VICTORIAN BUSH FIRE APPEAL

Truro Primary School started the ball rolling with a request to families to donate. It grew from there with 'sub branches' being formed throughout the Valley and beyond, to gather and deliver goods to the Truro Town Hall. Word of mouth, e-mails and forwarding and pager messages via the CFS service, came all together in the Hall with clothing, toiletries, animal supplies, food, toys, games and books plus furniture of all descriptions being donated, sorted, packed and labelled ready for transport to Victoria. Truro and District Red Cross Branch helped with the processes and also collected money. The Branch is also donating part proceeds of the March Half Price Sale to the Appeal. We estimate that in excess of 200 boxes were filled and prepared but the hassle was organising transport of these much needed goods to the affected areas. Trucks were promised via Sarah's Bushfire Appeal which was supported by Radio Station 5AA, it all became too much for the organisers and we were let down several times. However, after many phone calls, a driver from Saddleworth who works for Scott Transport, loaded and took the truckload to Adelaide for transport to a Salvation Army depot near Melbourne. From there it was to be distributed via their own network.

People involved in the entire process are too many to name, but I would personally nominate Wendy Rosenzweig, my co-ordinator, who did most of the work in organising a truck and destination for the goods as well as spending many hours at the Hall sorting and packing. Wendy also organised the relocation of the load to her home garage. Her energy and organisational skills astounded me. Thank you Wendy.

Thanks to the School for their initiative, donors and collectors, sorters and packers, loaders, box and tape providers and others who helped in the process.

Jean Holmes  **Australian Red Cross**
THE POWER OF HUMANITY

Truro Primary School News

The Federal Government's Stimulus Package will result in a huge amount of funding being injected into schools throughout Australia in the next 18 months. "Truro Primary School is eligible to receive up to \$850000 as part of the 'Primary Schools for the 21st Century' funding and up to \$75000 with the 'National School Pride' funding" according to Principal Jeff Bellman.

With the larger amount schools can opt to build multi-purpose halls, libraries, new learning areas or have older buildings refurbished. The school community has opted for a multi – purpose hall type building which in school terms is really a gymnasium if it can be built for the money we will be allocated. The State Government are currently drawing up plans for these constructions and they will then be costed out and let to tender. The preferred site would be at the end of our new playground in close proximity to where the cricket nets are located. If built this facility would also be for community use.

The School will be notified in due course as to whether their bid has been successful and this should not be too long as the idea is to get the spending happening quickly. If there is insufficient funding for the gym, the next option was for new learning areas which would in fact be a new modern classroom. The last option chosen was for refurbishment of the existing classrooms.

With the 'National School Pride' funding, the school community's preferred option was to erect a permanent shade structure over the new development that took place at the school last year. This would provide much needed shelter for the children and would also be an excellent outdoor learning area. The remaining funding of this grant would be then be used for a variety of smaller projects around the school such as additional rainwater storage and associated plumbing so as the school becomes self sufficient with its water supply.

It is an exciting time for all schools and we are hoping to see the results within a 12 month period.



CFS Volunteers help load the truck to go to Melbourne



The Proposed area for a permanent shade structure at the Truro Primary School

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The Board welcomes Geoff Sweeney as a member of the Board, however there is now another vacancy with the recent resignation of Graham Smith from Dutton. If you feel you would like to serve the community in this position please contact the Secretary Reg Munchenberg.

Truro Web Site

Truro has completed its application to the 'au' Community Domains program for a community web site and the site is now under construction. The Truro web site will be a source of local information about community history, news, activities, events, businesses and organizations. Anyone with information to share or an interest in learning about web site development and maintenance, please contact Chris Fox on 8564 0425 or email him at chris.fox@archimagecad.com.

The Website address is www.truro.sa.au

Business List

Along with the development of the web site there is the opportunity to expand the usefulness of the Business list which has been provided free to residents over the last few years. It is now possible to include this list on the website, and as it is time to review the list and print it again an opportunity exists to have your business listed on the website. A circular will be sent shortly indicating the options available to businesses including listing on the web site

RECYCLING

Mid Murray Council have advised that Tenders have gone out for Regional Re-cycling. This is in response to the Government's request for Zero Waste and also the hefty requirements of the EPA, both monetarily and physically. Four Councils, Loxton-Waikerie, Berri-Barmera, Renmark-Paringa and Mid Murray have been in discussion for some time to enable this action to occur as no one council would be able to afford it on its own. It is expensive and is expected to be part cost recovery in the longer term.

School Bus Route

Late last year the Association helped negotiate new arrangements for the School Bus route, including altered pick up and drop off points. The Bus now travels to Barton via Barton Road, George Street and Dahlia Farm Road with pick ups at Barton and Truro at Craneford Winery.

The footpath that was requested for East Tce is still considered necessary and will be pursued for the safety of children who walk to the school.

EASTER CHURCH SERVICES

LUTHERAN

STONEFIELD

Good Friday 11am

Easter Sunday 10am HC

DUTTON

'Maundy Thursday' Parish Service at

Light Pass 7.30pm HC

Good Friday 11am Dutton

Easter Sunday 8.30am HC Dutton

IMMANUEL TRURO

'Maundy Thursday' Parish Service at

Truro 800pm HC

Good Friday 10.3am

Easter Sunday No Service

UNITING CHURCH

TRURO

Good Friday at TANUNDA 9.00am

Easter Sunday 6.30am Dawn Service

at Angaston Park Murray St Angaston.

9.00am at Truro HC

TRURO VISITOR

In January Reg Munchenberg received a phone call at 7.30am from a visitor in Truro wanting to purchase a Truro History book. He had picked up a Town Walk leaflet prior to ringing. Reg obliged and met him. The visitor, John Heayn is a resident of Truro, Cornwall UK. The night before his visit he was looking at a map of SA and saw our Truro. He came to visit in the morning and flew out to London at 11.00am!