



# TRURO AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

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## Council Approval for New Oval Club Rooms

The recent Federal Government decision to give Grant Funding to Local Government across Australia has resulted in the Truro & District Community Association requesting a share of the funds provided to the Mid Murray Council towards the rebuilding of the 'Club rooms' at the Oval after the disastrous fire in June. Recently the Truro Projects Advisory Section 41 Committee of Council met to consider two proposals on the replacement of the building.

A 'like for like' plan indicated a cost in the order of \$165,000 and the second plan, which had been drawn up by Council's Assistant Building Surveyor Wayne Reddy, which has about a 40% larger floor space was estimated to cost about another \$40,000 more. The S41 committee moved that the second proposal be recommended to Council with the concurrence of the Association.

The Board met at a specially convened meeting on the 24th November to consider the plans and have, in principle approved the second proposal. The Council requested what funds the Association

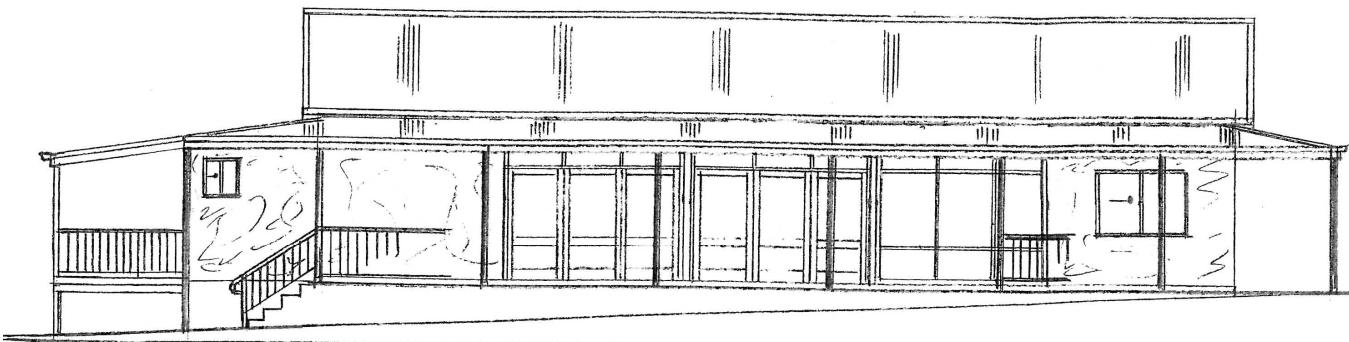
might be able to contribute to the replacement and after consideration of its finances have committed \$15,000 towards the project. In so doing the Association have requested Council to consider an application for grant funding of \$90,000 for the remainder for the project from the Prime Minister's funding. This will be added to the Insurance recovery of \$99,250.

Construction of the building is proposed to be of Steel with a rendered fibreboard finish to the outer with toilets built in to the building. Public access would be from the outside to separate facilities to those accessible from inside the building. This would also see the removal of the existing brick toilets at the Oval which are substandard.

This project fits perfectly within the guidelines set down by the Prime Minister in the replacing of old infrastructure for new.

At the December Council meeting gave its approval to the project. Finalisation of plans and tenders will then be called for site works and preparations for the replacement building to be erected.

**A sketch plan of the proposed replacement building**



*Season's Greetings to All From The Board*



Former Mc Donald residence East of current Bakery

(Circ a 1948) Photo courtesy Reg Munchenberg

In August, Colin and Kaye Manuel visited Truro seeking information on the Irish MOODY Family. In November Sue Jackson enquired about the Scottish McDONALD family. Both families have a significance to Truro. Historian, Reg Munchenberg was able to help both families.

Four Moody brothers settled in the area, (Bastion Hill Road, St Kitts

Road and Pine Hut) in the late 1850's, the last leaving in 1879. Solomon and Israel Moody had a small winery in the 1860s—1870s. This was featured as part of the 'Truro Wine Co' float in the 1997 Barossa Vintage Festival.

The Truro Town Hall in 1875 and the Post Office in 1879 were built on allotments of land that were purchased from S & I Moody. Due to the hospitality of John and Betty Williams (St Kitts Road) Colin and Kaye were able to view the home where Colin's forefather lived and their children were born.

Sue Jackson's McDonald family lived in an old home on the site of the shelter alongside the Truro

Bakery. Hugh McDonald was a Pound Keeper at Truro from 1856 until his death in 1866. His widow Sarah lived in Truro until her death in 1902. the land for the 'Possum Track' was purchased by Council from her in 1882. Hugh's mother Catherine, a widow, came to Truro in 1863 and lived here until her death in 1886. she has the distinction of being Truro's oldest resident ever, passing away at the age of 107 years. All the Mc Donald's are buried in St. John's Catholic Cemetery on the Truro-Kapunda Road.

## Power Line Undergrounding Project Completed

The Board recently wrote to and best use the funds that have been allocated to upgrade the completion of Stage 2 of the rest of the street. undergrounding of Power lines was completed. Residents would have also noted that sensor lights now come on at the Post Office when collecting mail after dark. This was also financed by Council. The finished project now makes Moorundie Street look so much better. Preliminary discussions have also been held about how we might leverage



## Road Works Deputation to Council

Due to the continuing poor state of repair and numerous complaints from residents to the Association the Board requested a Deputation to Council. Having been granted, on September 8th a Deputation to the Council represented by the Chairman, Ross Dawkins, Deputy Chairman, Mick Anderson and Secretary Reg Munchenberg regarding the poor state of the roads in the area, including Truro-Eudunda Road, Millers Road and Truro Road (Moculta Rd) which had only recently been re-sheeted, was presented to Council.

The recommendation of Council was that The Works Manager was to report to Council at the November meeting of Council. A copy of the report is being obtained.

## Successful National Tree Day in July

A joint effort of students from the Truro Primary School, CFS members and community volunteers coordinated by the Truro Community Association saw an area of about ½Ha just north of the town on the Truro Eudunda road planted with 700 native species endemic to the area on the last weekend in July. The Board have recently received 20 boxes of materials from Trees for Life to be planted by volunteer growers over the coming months. It is hoped to be able to continue to revegetate similar roadside areas in the coming years.



## Integrated Water Plan Recommendations—

### Seeking \$140,000 Grant Funding

At the recent S4I Truro Projects Advisory Committee meeting members were advised that Council had recommended that the ICMP drawn up for Truro be accepted. There are a number of recommendations which are to be considered over a 5-10 year time frame, however there are a significant number which need urgent action, in particular the development of a Stormwater Management Plan for Truro.

Staff have followed this up as a matter of urgency and the committee were advised that two grant applications had been applied for a total of \$142,000 from the Stormwater Management Authority and SA Murray Darling NRM Board.

Some of these actions will involve the Community sector, including residential, industrial and commercial activities.

The Association was requested to start looking at some of the recommendations and thinking about how they might respond to them so that action can be taken in the future.

### PIONEER — HEROES PARK

At the recent S4I Truro Projects Advisory Committee meeting Council's Consultant engineer Stan Rob from Gilbert & Associated presented an update of the proposed plan for Pioneer Park with some indicative designs for buildings. Some minor adjustments were made to the suggested placing of buildings, in particular to the siting of the proposed Gazebo and Toilet block. Discussion also centered around the type of structures that would be used near the entrance with interpretive displays. Further updates will be supplied shortly.

### Board Matters -

Guest speaker at the AGM was Simon Sherriff, Program Leader – Water Quality and Local Government Engagement, SA Murray-Darling Basin NRM Board. He spoke about how the NRM Board engages with the community. Of particular interest was a link on the NRM Board Website regarding rainwater tank sizing. Clicking on Truro will give information as to the size of tank required.



The TRURO Brigade is looking for Volunteers for upcoming Fire Season. It promises to be quite busy given the driest Spring on record. Volunteers can serve in any capacity. PLEASE support your community. It is a timely reminder to all landholders to prepare your bushfire plan and to finalise any clearing of vegetation around buildings.

Of serious concern has been the five allegedly deliberately lit fires in the general area over recent weeks. Anyone seeing any suspicious behaviour is asked to report this information to Police immediately.

Farmers are asked to be mindful when reaping of local Bushfire plans and requirements when harvesting or slashing. Fire Ban information is available on the CFS web site at [www.cfs.sa.gov.au](http://www.cfs.sa.gov.au).

In EMREGENCY contact the Truro CFS on 8564 0200 or call 000.



One of the recent fires which destroyed approximately 8 Ha of wheat crop on Duckponds Road.

### Bus stop review

A meeting was called with representatives from the High School, Primary School and Parents over the change of the Bus Stop from the rear of the Primary School. Chairman Ross Dawkins was asked to mediate a meeting to discuss possible future bus stops. Whilst it was not possible to make any further changes this year, it is possible that there may be some changes made to the route in 2009. Parents will be notified in the usual manner by the schools.



### **Truro Hotel Social Club**

A New Years Eve Party will be held at the Hotel. Come & join in celebrations from 7pm to welcome in the New Year with family & friends. Juke Box & Karaoke, BBQ tea, raffles & prizes.

*All Welcome.*

### **Xmas Church Services**

#### Lutheran Church TRURO

December 21st Lessons & Carol Service 10.30 am

Combine with Uniting Church 7.30pm

CHRISTMAS EVE 7.30 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY 9.00 am

#### Uniting Church TRURO

December 21st Combined Carol Service with Lutherans 7.30 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY 8.00 am

#### St John's Lutheran Church DUTTON

December 21<sup>st</sup> Lay Reading Service 9.30 am

CHRISTMAS DAY 8.00 am



#### **REMINDER**

**SCHOOL CONCERT 7.30pm**

**THURSDAY 11th DECEMBER**

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At the AGM Jenny Fairey's resignation was accepted. We thank Jenny for her efforts whilst a member of the Board. Ross Dawkins, Chris Brook and Bruce Slow were re-elected with Jenny's vacancy not being filled. Since then the Board has welcomed Graham Smith from Dutton to the Board giving the residents of Dutton a voice on the Board. It is with regret that Bev Deren resigned at the November meeting due to other commitments and health reasons. Our thanks go to Bev for her knowledge and help whilst a member. Nominations have been called to fill that vacancy.

### **TRURO WEB SITE**

Residents would have read in local media recently where the Truro and Districts Community Association, is proposing to set up and operate the [www.truro.sa.au](http://www.truro.sa.au) web site. We requested that Council provide a letter of support for us in our application to the Australia Community Domains scheme. It is a Government incentive to help communities create and maintain presences on the Internet. Information about their programs is at [www.aucd.org.au](http://www.aucd.org.au).

At the November Board meeting Chris Fox spoke about the exciting possibilities that Community Domains open up for towns large and small throughout Australia and showed some web sites from the more than 100 towns that have taken advantage of this program. Anyone interested and willing to help in this exciting project with the set up please call Chris Fox on 8564 0425.



### **Australian Red Cross**

**THE POWER OF HUMANITY**

The Truro Branch of the Australian Red Cross meets bi-monthly in the supper room at the Town Hall. New members are always welcome!

In recent months the ladies of the Red Cross have put in a lot of effort to reorganise the Op Shop areas. There is an increased range in books and bric-a-brac. There are also weekly specials. Please note that the Op Shop is now open the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 10 til 12.30. The Op Shop is also open every Friday from 10 until 3pm. Watch out for the half-price sales which are held twice a year.