



TRURO AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

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Dear Community Residents

We wish to bring the following issues to you which have been discussed since the last newsletter in July.

- Moorundie Street Redevelopment.** To date no actual work has been done in the street other than the removal of some damaged trees, but a lot of behind the scene planning has taken place. The Federal Government allocated \$140,000 to Transport SA for the upgrading of the street. Part of the money will be spent on pedestrian 'blisters' or kerb widening so that people intending to cross the road are more visible. The street will also have brighter lighting. Public consultation will occur to ensure the proposed scheme is acceptable to the Community and the Mid Murray Council's streetscape plan. Surveyors have been in the town. Permanent speed cameras are still wanted. A meeting with the Minister of Transport is being sought. Franek Savarton and David Mably spoke at the AGM on the redevelopment showing us the proposed plans. The plans were received at the Board Meeting in August with some changes made. These changes have been submitted to the consultant planner but no reply has been received, due to Franek being overseas for a time.
- Aged Care Facility** The Aged Homes Sub-committee has retired. The scheme is being run by the Barossa Village Inc. in consultation with the Mid Murray Council and the Association. The Truro District is to be canvassed for intended residents. It is intended that six homes could be built on the block. The Barossa Village Inc. has an option for 12 months on the former Council Office. Plans and costs will be given to the Public when this information is known.
- Cemetery Project.** Stage two – the plaque with the names of those buried in the cemetery in unknown graves has been completed and is awaiting erection. The Community was granted \$4,500 by the Council from the 2003-4 budget for stage three which is the removal of the front fence and gates and replacing them with something more suitable and generally beautifying the area. The Council have offered to replace the remaining fence of the property in general maintenance. It is expected that this work will be completed early next year. It is hoped that some shrubs and garden may be established at the Cemetery in the near future.
- Effluent Scheme.** Kelvin Goldstone, Manager of Environmental Services, Mid Murray Council – addressed the September meeting on how an effluent scheme could be implemented in Truro. An effluent scheme has been a long standing issue and it would be a 'once off' opportunity for Truro as it is a much needed facility. There is no chance of Government subsidy, so it would have to be self funded over a period of years. Council intend to survey Truro and Barton and provide the information for a Public Meeting early next year.
- House Numbering.** After some teething trouble, this project is now being handled by Council.
- Maintenance Grants.** The Council has allocated \$9,000 as maintenance grants to the Oval and Town Hall from this year's Budget. The Community thank the Council for the grants which go a long way to maintaining the buildings, property and keeping the oval and surrounds mowed.
- Town Hall Projects.** Ten new tables and a trolley have been purchased. These tables are **not** for hire. The electrical power boards have been upgraded. The Salt damp problem in the Hall and Red Cross rooms are being addressed. A new 25 litre Hot Water Service is to be purchased.
- Oval Projects.** There has been a sink and HWS installed in the BBQ shed and a hand basin installed in the kitchen to comply with the new Food Regulations and OH&S requirements. A wind sock and frame were recently donated by the Angaston CFS Group to be erected for emergency use of a Helicopter at the Oval. The Cricket Club have erected new practice nets.
- Elections.** Board Members – 5 persons were nominated for 4 positions. D Klemm, R Munchenberg, A Schilling, B Males and J Zilm.
D Klemm, R Munchenberg and A Schilling were re-elected with a tie between B Males and J Zilm. The latter withdrew his nomination and B Males was duly elected.
Chairman – D Klemm
Vice Chairman – R Dawkins
Secretary – R Munchenberg

Treasurer – A Schilling
New members on Sub-committees
Oval – G Materna
Town Hall – R Materna
Moorundie Street – J Zilm, D Andretzke, K Falkenberg, B Males and M Wright.

10. **Food safety.** The Town Hall and Oval have both been registered with the Council as a place of food handling so as to abide by the new Food Handling Regulations.
11. **Mid Murray Marketing.** A meeting was held on October 23rd at Truro. The aim was outlined to gather all towns in the Council area together to resource projects and grants. A questionnaire was discussed and answered. This will be evaluated by the co-ordinator. The way our Association is set up will be a great help in the future development and planning in this area.
12. **Advertising Signs.** Circulars have been distributed to business' in Truro regarding advertising on the Information Board in the Parking Bay. A good response has been received so far for this Community Project. Any one still wishing to take part in this offer needs to make urgent contact with the Association. The Truro Oval Advertising Signs at both entrances to the town are currently available for business advertising. Anyone interested in taking up this offer needs to contact the undersigned.
13. **Logo.** The town Logo at the head of this newsletter (left) has been revamped by Stanley Savarton with the inclusion of a wheel – representing the highway and travelling and a bunch of grapes, our 'new' industry, the vineyards in the district and the Gateway to the Barossa. (Logo right) It is intended to include the word Truro as part or the Logo when used for signage of possible souvenirs. Truro township is classed as being part of the Barossa Wine Region.
14. **Historical Walk and Drives.** A request has been made by the authors of the book "*Explore the Barossa*" and also the Barossa Tourism Information Centre for a Town walk and District drive. This has prompted local Historian Reg Munchenberg to draw up a suitable walk around Truro. A drive of Truro and Barton and another to Dutton and St Kitts had been planned, similar to those he has conducted over the years. It is intended to have these three items printed and available for residents and visitors to Truro and the Barossa.
15. **Township boundary Zoning.** The need for the Residential boundaries of Truro and Barton to be changed to allow for future growth and development has been discussed. New boundaries for Residential, Rural living and Industrial areas need to be defined. The Association will be discussing options for changes to Council's Development Plan early next year when James Miller, Mid Murray Council Planning Officer, will address the Board meeting in March. The Council's next Plan Amendment Review (PAR) will commence in the second half of 2004. There will be opportunities for Public Consultation during the Review process.
16. **Undergrounding Overhead Power Lines in Moorundie Street.** Undergrounding of the Electricity Supply is one of safety as the street is part of the Sturt Highway and in the event of an accident involving a semi trailer with combustible fuel bringing down power lines, could cause a disaster. Also as part of the beautification scheme heritage lighting and trees could be planted on the Southern side of the street where the power poles are now. The Association has asked the council to investigate what funds may be available from the State and Federal Governments, as the street is part of an Interstate Highway.
17. **Bicycle/Walking Track.** The Association is awaiting the results of the feasibility study of the proposal taken by the Mid Murray and Barossa Council's
18. **CFS Personnel.** The Truro CFS is desperately requiring extra personnel to be trained to man the Fire Units for the coming Fire Danger Season. At present much valuable time is wasted waiting for the required crew for the Unit, or to get back-up from Nuriootpa or Angaston. **Truro and Districts residents are urged to give this matter their earnest consideration and contact the local CFS on 8564 0323 or 8564 0227.** Training is on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 pm.
19. **Residents Issues.** If you have an issue please discuss the matter with a Board Member. Residents may receive permission from the Chairman to address the Board at a Board Meeting, or they can raise the issue by letter. Any resident wishing to become a member of the Association should contact the Secretary for details.

We wish you the Compliments of the Christmas Season

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