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# Truro and District Community Association Inc.

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## TRURO OVAL COMPLEX RE-BUILD NEARS COMPLETION



Above Top: The almost completed building from the outside

Above: Inside view of completed flooring. Work still needs to be done in the kitchen and toilet areas.

After nearly two years it is expected that by the end of the second week in April the new building will be completed. Currently the major item that remains to be done is the air-conditioning with a number of other tidy up jobs to complete the building. It was reported at the last Truro Projects Advisory Committee meeting on the 24th of March that the building will come in on budget of \$205,000 albeit there will be a few minor things that will not have been done in the building process. We will have a building that we should be very proud of however when completed there

will be no furniture (tables and chairs) fridge, pie warmer, urn or crockery as these items weren't included on the budgeted sum. The Board wrote to Council and requested that they consider paying for the replacements that were lost in the fire as it was under insured, however in return Council have offered the Association an interest free loan of \$9000 for 5 years to cover the replacements. The Board will consider this option at it's April meeting. Whatever the decision there will be a need for the community to raise funds to pay for these articles. The Board has contributed \$15,000 towards the cost of the building replacement. The building will be about 40% bigger than the previous building with some significant improvements, including access to toilets from the inside of the building and a larger kitchen.

The Mayor will announce the 'Official Opening' of the building at the Mayor's Reception on the 27th of April. There may be a representative from the Commonwealth Government present but at this stage that is unknown. It is intended to have a Community function at some stage later in the year to 'Commemorate' the replacement of the building.

## Development Plan Amendment

A report was given to the January meeting proving the latest information from the planning consultants. No significant changes had been made to the previous proposal which included an area for development south of the properties along Esplanade and the inclusion of the area bounded by Millers Rd, East Terrace, Dahlia Farm Rd George St and Barton Rd to be considered for deferred future development. Since that date the Council Sub-committee has met with the consultants and put up the series of options that were presented by a number of submissions to be considered for future development, including an area for light industry. After Council have approved the plan it has to go to Planning SA and then has to be put out to public consultation which should happen later in the year.

## TRURO Stormwater Plan

Three variations for flood mitigation along with significant upgrade works to current drainage infrastructure have been proposed by the consultant Australian Water Environments (AWE) in the draft document presented to Council, the Storm Water Management Authority and the SA Murray Darling NRM Board for consideration. If this gets approval then the major funding for this work will come from the Storm Water Management Authority with Council and the NRM Board contributing some funds for on ground works. This is a significant amount of money involved in the proposal and if approved would be staged over a number of years.

## Baldon Rd Intersection

Concern was raised about the dangerous situation at the Baldon Rd intersection at the bottom of Accommodation Hill where there is no right turn lane for vehicles to safely turn being followed by traffic at high speed and having to give way to oncoming traffic. The matter was raised with DTEI who acknowledged that the provision of a 'right turn lane' would assist to improve safety, however it is common at many locations around the state to wait to allow traffic through prior to making the turn. To upgrade this location would have to be assessed against all projects state wide. The low number of vehicles undertaking a right hand turn at this location does not warrant the provision of a protected right turn lane. They advised that the width of the sealed shoulder does provide motorists with the option to stand to the left outside of the through lane until the traffic is clear before making the turn into Baldon road.

## Welcome to new businesses in town

The Community Association would like to extend a warm welcome David and Joanne, the new proprietors of the Post Office, Bec and Dave at the Weighbridge Motel and Restaurant and last but not least Steve and Karan from Gas Guru and Mechanical. We wish them every success in their new business ventures here at Truro.

## Pioneer Park Progressing

Residents would have seen that the new driveway has been laid at the entrance to the park recently with some kerbing and guttering yet to be done. The Gazebo has been ordered and is scheduled to be delivered by the 19th of April. A further extension of time has been granted by the funding authority with a completion date for this stage by the 31st of May.

Installation of drainage at the creek end will include a pollutant sump and will be joined into the trunk drain through the winery driveway. A resolution requesting Council consider an allocation of \$20,000 to be used in an application for grant funding in the forth coming budget towards further works on the second stage was moved.



The recently completed entry into "Pioneer Park"

## Moorundie Streetscape Plan

Mark Drew from PIRSA provided an update on the street landscape design. Discussions were ongoing with DTEI and AWE with the next phase being the finalisation of the landscape plan including recommended tree and plant species. The new National Roadside Design Guidelines effectively prevent any planting within 5 metres of a roadway. Their concern is litigation should a car hit a tree. DTEI only has responsibility to the kerb. Local government has responsibility of the verges and the decision to plant trees rests with Council and this issue has not yet been finalised for this project.

## Web Site News

A recent update to the website has been the latest business list which has been printed and will be distributed shortly. It also contains current minutes and agendas for the Association coming events, a new Lutheran Church page, coming events and other items of local interest.

Webmaster Chris Fox would like interested persons from various organisations around the town to contact him so that the organisations can have their 'own presence' on the web site at absolutely 'no cost' except your commitment to keep your page 'up to date'.

Have a look at [www.truro.sa.au](http://www.truro.sa.au)

## Truro Primary School

**New Building / Hall** Earthworks for the foundations are now completed with the metal fabrication expected to be erected in the next few weeks. This will be followed by the cladding and the installation of the new water treatment system. When students return from their holidays two weeks after Easter they should see the huge framework completed. It will be an exciting time for everyone when this building becomes available for both school and community use.

**Yr 5, 6, 7 Fitness** The Upper Primary class have been improving their fitness levels by participating in a series of one hour lessons at a health studio in Gawler East. The students have really enjoyed their sessions and a big thanks to the parents who have been able to help out with transportation.

**Young Leaders** The Year 7's will be visiting the Adelaide Convention Centre on Tuesday, March 30th, for a Young Leaders Conference. They will be joined by hundreds of Yr.7 students from around the state and will be listening a variety of inspirational speakers on the day. It should be a fantastic learning experience for these leaders at our school.

**Aussie of the Month** Congratulations to Yr 5 student Domenica Provenzano who is our latest 'Aussie of the Month' recipient. Domenica received her award for 'her untiring approach to school work and her respectful attitude towards her peers and teachers'.

**Mini Olympics** All students will be participating in a 'Mini Olympics' morning on the last Wednesday of term. They will be participating in activities such as hurdles, running, long jump and the ever popular high jump. We may have some aspiring Olympians in our midst.

**Working Bee** The Governing Council has planned a Working Bee for Sunday April 18th, which is the last Sunday of the school holidays. Work will begin at 9:00am and, if there are sufficient helpers, should finish around 11:00am.



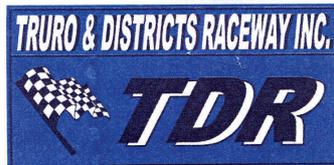
The new 'hall' at the Primary School under construction



Sam Maher and Zoe Thompson competing in the 'Easter Bunny Endurance Ride' conducted over the Easter Long Weekend at Truro.



The Truro and Districts Red Cross branch continues to meet bi-monthly in the Town Hall and to operate its successful Family Store. The March half-price sale has just ended, with the next sale proposed for September. All proceeds go towards funding the help that Red Cross provides to those in need. New members are always welcome. Contacts are Jan Mayberry (Secretary)



Truro & Districts Raceway are seeking people who would like to become involved in the dynamic sport of motor racing. TDR is a Dirt Circuit track based at

Dutton, approximately 1½ hours drive from Adelaide. It is charity based and profits go to charities in the local community. They are also seeking people who would be interested in helping with the running of the track one Sunday per month from April to October.

**DRIVERS and CARS wanted!** Are you interested in building/buying a race car? Want to know more then give the members listed below a call.

Chris Noth 0418 811 155 or Steve Vaughan 0419 808 537

## Easter Bunny Endurance Ride

Truro Oval was once again the base for the Truro Easter Bunny endurance ride put on by the South Australian Endurance Riders Association. The Easter Bunny ride is organized by locals Steve and Shirley Ellis and involves two rides on Friday, one covering 40km and the other 20km. On Saturday there are 40km and 20km rides together with a full endurance ride of 80km and then on Sunday, 40km and 20km rides again. A Mini Marathon involved taking part in all three 40km rides but unfortunately no-one completed this. However, on Friday a total of 26 riders tackled the land north of Truro, on Saturday there were 38 riders and on Sunday 16 riders. Horses are vetted every day and our Head Vet, Pat Hodgetts, came all the way from Tasmania and was ably backed up by Rebekah French-Davis and Melissa Ford. The Easter Bunny relies entirely on the goodwill of local landowners and we cannot stress enough how grateful we are to them. Land was used belonging to John, Audrey and Mark Schmidt, Murray Andretzke, Robert Andretzke, the Scott Family (together with Neil Saegenschnitter), Grantley Doecke, Murray Klemm, Mark Linke, and Marilyn Sherwood and the rides took place along some dirt roads and stubble fields with dry creek beds and one that wasn't so dry, which would have been a great place for spectators! There were also some fire tracks and they rode as far north as Frankton Road taking in some spectacular views and pass some enormous wombat holes on the way. Local riders taking part were Sarah Adams from Dutton who took part in some 40km rides, Jenny Fairey, Carol and Tori Lehmann, Sam Maher and Zoe Thompson, who tackled the 20kms and Sam was offered another ride on Sunday by one of the Club members. Steve Ellis was too busy organizing the ride so his horse was ridden by another Club member and completed 40km rides on Friday and Sunday. Competitors sleep over for the weekend and use Murray Andretzke's paddock as their base and Truro Cricket Club did a sterling job providing evening meals on Friday and Saturday. All in all it was an extremely successful weekend.

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## Bike Park

Interest has been expressed for a bike park with a petition circulating at present. The site would have to be on Council land and built to Council's safety and insurance standards. The intention is for a committee to be formed to investigate the proposal. At the Board meeting on the 11th May, Shane Thompson, Manager of Community Development, Mid Murray Council has been invited to be the Guest Speaker to talk and listen to needs of youth in Truro. All welcome.

## Councillor Ros Schultz retires!

Councillor Ros Schultz had indicated to the Board that she will not be seeking re-election at the forth coming Council elections in October. It is extremely important that Truro be given a voice in Local Government with the significant number of projects that are currently being undertaken around the town. Members of the public are asked to give this position due consideration or seek possible nominees for a voice for Truro.



## Researchers Visit

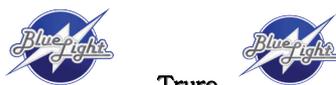
Local Historian, Reg Munchenberg recently received a phone call from Barry Smith of Maroochydore, Qld who was at the Barossa Library asking for information on the Mt Rufus area. Barry was researching his family tree and from the death certificate of his great grandmother Charlotte Smith, he found that she died at Overland Springs in 1868 aged 40 years. Through further research he found that Overland Springs was in the Mt Rufus area. He was particularly wanting to find her grave. The Library staff suggested he ring Reg, who told him that she was buried in the Truro Cemetery. Twenty minutes later they met at the Cemetery.

Charlotte's grave was one of the graves marked as part of the cemetery project in 2004, after having been an unknown grave for 136 years.

Barry placed some flowers on the grave — his mission had been accomplished. Charlotte was the wife of George Smith, a shepherd and labourer employed by David Shannon of Yatara, Koonunga.



**South Australian  
Country Fire Service**



Truro



disco

**Friday 18th June**

TRURO Weighbridge Motel Restaurant

7 pm – 9.30 pm \$5.00 entry

primary school age children 5 – 12

flashing lights- canteen – laser light show

“ special dj “

supervised by police lock in event

Proceeds in aid of Truro Primary School and the Oval Complex

The Truro brigade has had a busy fire season, attending grass and scrub fires in an area ranging from Tungkillo to Hamilton and many points in between.

There was a community bushfire information session held at Dutton with presentations by Regional CFS staff members. The Dutton community is looking to better inform themselves about potential fire threats and to better protect themselves should a fire break out.

Members of the Truro brigade attended in order to provide local knowledge and to acquaint residents with the resources available in their area. The brigade also acquired three potential new members from this session.

The brigade has initiated the **Truro Community Bushfire Information Session**, for residents of Truro to be held on **April 18 at 2pm at the Truro Town Hall** in conjunction with the Truro and District Community Association.

**SEE SEPARATE FLYER FOR DETAILS.**