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Dilston Windermere



Swan Bay Newsletter

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Green & Gold In The Garden

The Green and Gold Frog in your garden is the sign of a healthy ecosystem.

It lives in weedy ponds, dams and streams and is most common in northern Tasmania, with some occurrences in the east and south of the State. We have a number of small populations locally. Green and Gold frogs are active in the warmer months during both day and night. They can sometimes be seen basking out of the water on logs or water vegetation. They have a varied diet of insects, lizards and

other small frogs. The number and distribution of these frogs is declining as much of their habitat is disappearing. This may be due to such practices as draining land for other purposes,



Photo: Rebecca O'Toole

including agriculture and housing development. Ponds and creeks are being polluted by

chemicals such as fertilisers and insecticides which runoff into our waterways after rain.

Frogs populations are in decline world wide due largely to loss of habitat.

You can help the survival of this great little animal locally in your garden by providing suitable cover in moist and shaded areas in your garden. Ponds need to have good vegetation cover on the edges and these frogs enjoy matted vegetation on the surface on which they can bask.

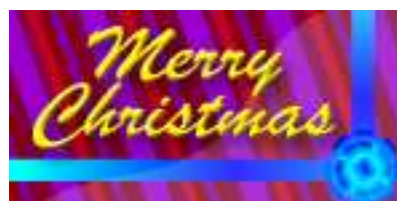
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WINDERMERE STORE BREAKFAST

Residents who are regular visitors to the Windermere corner store would be aware that Max and Lyndel Rawlings have sold their business to Kerry Schapel and Maree Wakeling. You are invited to join us for a Community Christmas

Breakfast on Sunday December 14th after 9am.

Bookings are necessary for this function so don't miss out. Ring 63281335 to reserve a spot. See Lyndel & Max's letter on Page 4



Windermere Corner Store

6328 1335

Sensational breakfasts, great lunches, a selection of cakes and slices,

prepared take-home meals. Takeaway pizzas, gourmet food lines, catering, gift, jewellery, wrapping and cards, groceries, gas, bait

TRADING HOURS

Mon-Fri 7am – 6pm

Sat 7am-5pm

Sun 8am-5pm

Garden Club News by Ros Ryan

Our October get together was at the home of Jackie Ralph. The weather had us sharing a lovely lunch indoors with a good number attending.

Jackie & Brian have a large cottage garden around their home, no matter what the season there is always colour.

Jackie ran a competition for "spot the weed in the garden". Had she done it for the lawn there would not have been a winner; it's weed free- well done Brian.

The Green & Gold frogs were a special feature, basking in the sun in the middle of a small pond. An enjoyable time.

Thank you Jackie and Brian.

24 members gathered at the home of Val & Max Jansson in November. The weather was sunny with a slight breeze. We enjoyed lunch outdoors. A walk around their well laid out garden was a colourful sight with 300 plus

roses all in bloom. Beautiful old trees, a healthy vegie garden and a variety of fruit trees- all well laden. Lots of work in this garden- well done. Thank you Val and Max.

Future Meetings:

December: Friday December 12th

Ros & Noel Ryan 21 Swan Drive Swan Bay.

January: Friday January 9th

Lalla Smethurst 8 Grenadier Court Trevallyn.

New members most welcome. Please ring Ros Ryan to advise of your attendance.

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If you can help please phone George Chandler

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FIRE BRIGADE NEWS by Rob Montague



BRIGADE CELEBRATES

40TH ANNIVERSARY

On 22nd November 1968 the Rural Fires Board approved an application to establish the Dilston/Windermere

Fire Brigade. 60 people attended a function at the Fire Station last Saturday evening to celebrate 40 years service to the community, an evening enjoyed by past and present members and TFS personnel. Special thank you to all who helped make this night a success.

FIRE PERMITS

A fire permit is now required for the burning of vegetation in excess of one cubic metre with persons wishing to obtain a permit adhering also to

Council By-Laws that do apply.

More information is available from our permit officers:

Rob Montague (w)
6394 8377

(h) 6328 1336

Jason Hingston 0407 392 457
Neville Jolly 0417 540 230
Raoul Stow 0417 351 423

A safe and happy Christmas from all at the Dilston Fire Brigade.



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Garden Tip
Tomatoes are Solariums (sun loving plants) and benefit from warmth and regular watering especially early in the season when the spring weather is variable and risk of frosts is high. Treat them to a circular mesh frame constructed from a piece of mesh turned into a circle and covered with plastic.

Give the plants plenty of blood & bone early in their growth, then add sulphate of potash to help them flower and produce early fruit..



A Special Local Book for Christmas

The previous editor of Smokesignals has recently published a beautiful and most comprehensive book on Tasmanian produce.

"*Providore Island*" by Tony Walker explores the small and less known producers of Tasmanian fine food making its way onto the market in international and local cuisine.

The book has received excellent reviews and would make an appropriate Christmas gift for that special family member or friend afar.

Birchalls Launceston is currently retailing the book at \$49.95, which Tony advises is the best price available.

Providore Island is a culmination of 20 years writing about



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TASMANIAN FINE PRODUCE

Tasmania's fine food and wine.

Well done Tony! It's great to see local creativity being celebrated in such a deserving manner.



Thank you from the Windermere Corner Store

To all our friends and customers,

Lyndel & I would like to say thank you for your encouragement and support over the last two years. We are so grateful to so many of you who have made our time at the store so much fun, it has been very satisfying to see a business grow to a point where it is successful and fun to operate, we know that it wouldn't have been possible without your support, we are confident that Kerry and Maree will continue to provide the same service and quality that you have come to expect, we will miss our daily contact and fun conversations with our Regulars. We will be regular visitors to the café for breakfast on the weekends so we expect to catch up with people occasionally.

Warm Regards and best wishes

Max & Lyndel Rawlings

If you lived in the 40's 50's, 60's 70's.....

Looking back it's hard to believe we have lived as long as we have...

As children we would ride in cars with no seat belts or air bags. Riding in the back of a ute on a warm day was always a special treat.

Our cots were covered with bright coloured lead-based paint. We had no childproof lids on medicine bottles, doors or cupboards, and when we rode our bikes we had no helmets. We drank water from the garden hose and not from a bottle. Horrors!

We would spend hours building go-carts out of scraps and then ride down the hill only to find out we'd forgotten to build the brakes. After running into the bushes a few times we learned to solve the problem. We could leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back when the street lights came on. No one was able to reach us all day. No mobile phones. Unthinkable. We got cut and broke bones and broke teeth, and there were no law suits from these accidents. They were accidents. No one was to blame but us. Remember accidents?

We had fights and punched each other and got black and blue and learned to get over it. We ate patty cakes, bread and butter with hundreds and thousands. We drank cordial but we were never overweight... we were always outside playing. We shared one drink with our friends, from one bottle and no one died from this. We did not have Playstations, Nintendo 64, X-Boxes, Video games, 65 channels on pay TV, video-tape movies, surround sound, personal mobile phones, personal computers, Internet Chat Rooms, Facebook. We had face to face friends.

We went outside and found them. We rode bikes or walked to a friend's home and knocked on the door, or rung the bell, or just walked in and talked to them.

Imagine such a thing. Without asking a parent; by ourselves! Out there in the cold cruel world without a guardian. How did we do it?

We made up games with sticks and tennis balls and shanghais. We ate worms and although we were told it would happen, we did not put out very many eyes, nor did the worms live inside us forever.

Footy, cricket, tennis and netball had tryouts and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't had to deal with disappointment.

Some students weren't as smart as others so they failed a grade and were held back to repeat the same grade. Tests were not adjusted for any reason.

Our actions were our own. Consequences were expected; no one to hide behind. The idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke the law was unheard of. They actually sided with the law- imagine that!

This generation has produced some of the best risk takers and problem solvers ever.

The past 60 years has been an explosion of innovation and new ideas. We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility. We learned how to deal with it all. And you are one of them. Congratulations!

DECEMBER 2008

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Community Events

- **Sun December 14th– Community Christmas Breakfast. Windermere Corner Store.**
- **Wed December 24th 7pm. Carols Service at St. Matthias.**
- **Thurs December 25th Christmas Morning 9am Eucharist at St. Matthias**
- **Sun January 18th Sunday Community lunch Raise The Roof Appeal. Tickets required. Sue Speed 6328 1209**
- **Mon January 26th Windermere Social Tennis Day. Registration by 11:00am 217 Windermere Road.**
- **Sat January 31st Scrapbooking Day at Dilston Hall. Phone Pat Hollier 63281348**

RELAY FOR LIFE SUCCESS

In August Pat and Leanne Hollier hosted a fundraiser for Relay for Life team Triple J in the Dilston Hall. An 'off the page' photo scrapping day was held where participants finished three projects to the stage where they could attach photos at home. Donations from ANZ, Commonwealth Bank, Crafty Critters, Launceston Skin Care, Richmond Lolly Shop, The Scrap Shop and Terry White Pharmacy helped to make this a successful day which raised \$626. Another similar day is planned for Saturday January 31st 2009. so if you are interested in aiding a good cause

and having an enjoyable day, telephone

Pat Hollier on
6328 1348.

Jenny Simmonds,
Julie Ashton, Leanne &
Pat Hollier with
Patricia Adams



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Church News



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HOLY TRINITY & LAUNCESTON



**RESERVE
THE DATE
SUNDAY 18 JAN
2009
"SUNDAY
LUNCH
BY THE RIVER"
TO RAISE MONEY
TOWARDS THE
ROOF FUND**

ST MATTHIAS
Wednesday 24 December
CHRISTMAS EVE CAROLS
7.00 pm

Thursday 25 December
CHRISTMAS DAY
9.00 am Eucharist

HOLY TRINITY
Wednesday 24 December
CHRISTMAS EVE CRIB SERVICE
5.30 pm

Wednesday 24 December
CHRISTMAS EVE MIDNIGHT MASS
11.30 pm
Thursday 25 December
CHRISTMAS DAY
9.00 am Eucharist

A FEAST OF NIBBLES, MAIN & DESERTS

A LIMIT OF 25 AT \$25.00 PER PERSON

*At Margaret & Jon Hosford's home
454 Windermere Road*

*Some wine and beer
will be provided or
you are welcome to BYO if you like*

**There will be a
Silent Auction
of Significant Items**



12.00 for 12.30 START

Tickets :
Sue Speed 63291209 Or
Jon Hosford 63281163

Community Contacts - FIRE: 000

Dilston Hall: 6328 1348

St. Matthias Church:

6328 1209

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Garden Club: 63281566

CWA: 6328 1257

Book Discussion Group: 6328 1231

Bird Watching: 6328 1163

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