

**Issue 221** 

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**June 2019** 

## **NEW FACES BEHIND THE COUNTERS**

The local cafes at Windermere and Hillwood have re-opened with new operators.

Fleur Keals reopened the doors to the Windermere Corner Store and Cafe in early June. Fleur is not a completely new face in the community, living at Mount Direction and having worked for Kerry Schapel previously when she ran the corner store. Fleur is a qualified chef, completing her apprenticeship in Perth and, in a varied 30 year career has worked in cafes, catering, hospitals and even a mining camp, where she met her husband. For the last two years she has been running the popular Milk Bar in St John Street. Fleur will be offering a variety of home cooked eat in and takeaway meals, including hamburgers, fish and chips and her special Trio of Prawns, which many customers will remember from her previous time at Windermere.





Every Sunday will feature a traditional roast lunch and she will reintroduce the popular Friday night TGIFs.

Post Office services will be available and Fleur will once again be stocking basic grocery items with newspapers available on preorder.

A feature of the new-look store will be a range of Tasmanian giftware from many local craftspeople including the distinctive black and white artwork of her sister Caroline Strong.

The Hillwood Coffee Shop, renamed Marigolds on the Tamar, was reopened in mid May by Pieter and Jan Blom, who previously spent almost 10 years running the coffee shop at the Log Cabin Garden Centre in Youngtown.

They are offering a full breakfast and lunch menu in a completely refurbished cafe with inside and outside seating, a children's play area and glorious river views. There are always blackboard specials and a High Tea can be pre-ordered for special occasions.

#### WINTER OPENING HOURS

#### **WINDERMERE:**

Tues, Wed, Thur: 8.30am to 4.30pm. Friday: 8.30am to 9.30pm.

Sat: 8.30am to 3.30pm, Sunday: 9am to 3pm. Phone: 0418 258 506

#### **HILLWOOD:**

Wed to Sun: 10am to 4pm.

Phone 6311 0686

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## **FAREWELL**

#### **FAREWELL JON AND MARGARET HOSFORD**

The East Tamar community gathered at the Dilston Memorial Hall on Sunday, April 13 to say thank you to Jon and Margaret Hosford who are leaving the area for a quieter life at Glenara Lakes. Jon and Margaret have made an enormous contribution to our community being involved in the writing and production of Smoke Signals, the fundraising project to save St Matthias, the creation of the Men's Shed at Dilston and the fight for the Dilston underpass to name just a few. In his "spare time" Jon also produced some excellent wine from his Windermere vineyard! We wish them well and assure them they have Honorary Life Membership of the East Tamar community.







## HIRE OF THE DILSTON MEMORIAL HALL

The Dilston Memorial Hall provides the perfect local venue for meetings, celebrations and special occasions.

HIRE CHARGE: \$20 per hour, Public Liability \$16.50,

Alcohol Licensing Fee: \$52

Tables, chairs, crockery and glassware for hire at low cost. Maximum seating: 50.

Contact Lizzie Benstead: 0409 974 508

## Reaching for the Moon.

Circ's'Cool is the brainchild of local Windermere/Swan Bay residents, and their aerial artists put on an amazing show at Di Nailon's 70th birthday celebrations held in the garden of her home in Windermere Road on Easter Saturday.

Partygoers dressed up in circus themed and other flamboyant costumes.

Music by Candy Feet kept the party rocking and those who rocked too hard were delivered to their doors by Andrew's Maxi-Taxi.

Great Night, Di!

Good to support local talent.

https://www.facebook.com/

circscool/



trapeze artists who provided the visual entertainment.

## **History of Convicts in Tasmania**



Peter Stecenko invites you to a talk on convict transportation and settlement in Tasmania

Hosted by the East Tamar Mens Shed at Dilston Hall.

Friday 28th June at 6pm

Cost is \$10:00 per head with a slice of Pizza and a glass of wine provided.

Tea & Coffee also provided
All proceeds raised go to the running of the East Tamar Mens Shed.

For catering purposes please rsvp to Peter 6328 1334 or Jeff 6328 1544

## **PLAY GROUP**

Dilston playgroup has been enjoying the change in season by rugging up and spending lots of time outside. The children have fun exploring and are always busy finding new and old favourite activities to do.

We held a cake stall fundraiser at the Dilston hall on polling day, it was a huge success. A big thank you to everyone who donated their very high quality baked goods and to everyone who purchased some tasty treats, all the funds raised will go towards hall rent and allow the playgroup to continue for a while yet.

Also, thank you to Christina for her great selling skills, the Men's Shed, the Dilston Volunteer firefighters and Lizzie from the Hall Committee for your help and support.

We had a visit from Caz and Faki from the Northern Suburbs Community Centre, they held an art activity for the children where they all had fun creating a colourful masterpiece.

We always enjoy meeting new people and would love to connect with more people in the community. If anyone in the community would like to share any skills, passions or talents with our group (e.g. cooking,

knitting, a musical skill or perhaps just a book reading session), please get in contact, we'd love to hear from you.

All families welcome! Dilston Playgroup is held at the Dilston Memorial Hall, Tuesdays 10am-Noon, please bring \$3 and a piece of fruit to share. Any enquiries - Sarah 0437 851 920.

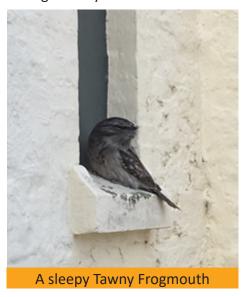
You can now find us on Facebook @dilstonplaygroup



## **BIRDS OF THE TAMAR By Jon Hosford**

# Tawny Frogmouth Prodargus strigoides

This resident of our district is not often seen during the day time as it feeds at night and sleeps during the day.



In late April we held an open day at St Matthias' Church in conjunction with the National Trust Heritage Festival. We had many visitors and they were also treated to a special sighting of a resident Tawny Frogmouth that had taken up a sleeping refuge in the shade of a southern window. Little did he/ she suspect that sleep would be interrupted during the day. Frogmouths become active shortly after sunset and hawk insects. moths and even small birds from a high vantage point. Being silent in flight like other owls, their attack is swift and accurate. They often take advantage of a light for a feeding point; the light attracting moths and other insects .Their call is a low pulsing "oom"-"oom" -"oom". I suspect the lights we have installed at St Matthias' would



provide this bird with a regular source of food at night.

The Tawny frogmouth is common to all areas in Australia and makes a nest on a bare limb parallel to the ground at a height of 3-20 metres.



## WHY BEES LOVE MY GARDEN

## WHY BEES LOVE MY GARDEN: BEE HOTELS by Trixie Gillard

y German friend Ingrid phoned me the other day to have a chat about bees. She's excited that Langenfeld City Council (her local council in Germany) is following our bee stories with interest and hope our community will provide some inspiring examples to encourage their local citizens to care for bees and protect their environment.

My good news for her is that I now have a bee hotel in my garden, a simple and ingenious way to provide shelter for our native bees. As you can see, it's a bit of tree trunk found in the bush. Stephen,

my intrepid gardener drilled suitable holes in it, on one side only, facing northeast, to catch the early morning sun.

First he dug a hole deep enough to hold the trunk firmly, then we smeared the bottom part of the timber with some out-of-date olive oil, then stapled aluminium foil to it. That should keep it in good nick for ages by preventing rotting. It's topped off with a sheet of tin that was lying around in the shed. That's to keep rain off the top, and to keep the bees nice and cosy. Imagine this in the Spring with a carpet of wildflowers all around it.



Open-Air Bee& Bee, anyone?



Image source: www.foxleas.com

I'd love you to check out the ingenious ideas for making your own bee hotel on these websites: http://mrccc.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/BEE WALL and HABITAT - 5 page.pdf

Aussiebees.com.au

y second piece of good news is that one of the gum trees in my front garden, on the river side of the house, has suddenly burst into flower, possibly due to all the rain we've had recently. I don't recall it flowering at this time of the year before, so I dashed over to have a look and was greeted by swarms of bees just loving all that pollen. A nice winter feast for them. So now I'm going to put a second bee hotel in this location.



#### WHY BEES LOVE MY GARDEN: THE TASMANIAN HONEYBEE STORY

The European Honeybee was introduced to Tasmania on May 2, 1822, when the convict ship Mary Anne docked in Hobart. She had sailed from Portsmouth in 1821, with a hive of honeybees in her cargo.

Since then the European Honeybee has widely established both wild colonies, and of course, is now extensively farmed for honey production as an important primary industry.

The strain in Tasmania is considered to be genetically very pure, uncontaminated by other strains.

It is unsure how the honeybee has impacted on the local flora and fauna, in particular our wild native bees.

Wild European Honeybees may outcompete native flower feeders, affect the balance of plant species, and may have added pressure on, or displace, native animals that use tree hollows to nest or shelter in. While we appreciate the fruit of the honeybees labour, and all the different tasting varieties of Tasmanian honey we can enjoy, our wild native bees are just as essential in the critically important role of pollination, in fact some of them are even more effective pollinators.

More on that later. Image:

European Honeybee Apis mellifera Late November 2014 Knocklofty Reserve, Hobart SOURCE: Insects of Tasmania sites@google.com

Remember – no bees, no pollination, less fruit and vegies.

DO YOU HAVE A "WHY BEES LOVE MY GARDEN" STORY OR ANECDOTE?

If so please email Kerri Curtis kerridwen51@gmail.com or Trixie Gillard flahulac@bigpond. com with your story or comments for inclusion in the next issue of SmokeSignals.

We'd love to hear from you.

### **FEEDBACK:**

And thanks to Greg Trevett for this query:

## Dear Kerri,

I read, with interest, the articles on bees in the latest edition of Smoke Signals. My wife and I live in Windermere Road at Swan Bay and have two colonies of native bees established here. Both are underground. The bigger colony has established itself on the edge of a garden area and has possibly taken over an old ant hole in the ground. I have put a wire cage around the area to protect the bees from predators and they seem to be thriving. The other colony is the one that concerns me. They have established underground in a large crack in the black soil and I am worried that, when the rainy season arrives, the crack will close up and the bee colony will be lost. Is there anything I can do to protect, or save, this colony of bees? Any advice you could give would be most appreciated.

Thanks. Kind regards, Greg Trevett

We sent Greg lots of info on bee hotels, so hopefully his two colonies of native bees are doing nicely. Some photos would be good, Greg.



## **GARDEN CLUBS NEWS**

The Dilston/Swan Bay/Windermere Garden Club is in winter recess at present. However, we are planning a winter lunch in July, at the Windermere Café and Gift Shop, which is due to re-open shortly, under the new ownership of Fleur Keals. If you have been thinking about being a part of the Garden Club, then meeting us for lunch in July would be

a wonderful way to begin! Please let me know by email if you would like to join our lovely friendly group.

Our usual spring/summer/autumn arrangement is to meet in members' gardens over a shared lunch, with a tour of the garden as part of the afternoon's activities. It is a lovely way to meet socially with other likeminded people who love gardens and

gardening, and to gain inspiration and share ideas for use in our own gardens.

And please do note that your garden does not have to be perfect - or even established! And, we are happy to "baptise" new gardens!

Kerri Curtis

Telephone: 0407 447 344 Email: kerridwen51@gmail.com

## CHURCH NEWS St Matthias' Anglican Church



What an exciting and eventful time we have had at St Matthias' Church lately. The Spirit is really alive and active!

Our congregation continues to grow. We have welcomed several new residents of Windermere and Dilston to our recent services. Our Easter and Mother's Day services were very strongly attended and the National Trust Heritage Festival Open Day on May 4th was a great success. Special thanks to our helpers for flowers, music and catering and for always making everyone feel welcome to our special place of worship.

## Watch out for the daffodils. Should be better and stronger this year.....Like our church

Our 'Stop Press' news is that our submission in the 2019 Launceston City Council Heritage Awards was judged first in the Heritage Promotion category for our 175th Anniversary celebrations. We received a certificate and a cheque for \$1000: a great reward for the Congregation and our community, all of whom played a part in this success.

The doors damaged during the break-in are now completely renovated and new locks installed. Unfortunately, the Police now have to put the active search for our stolen communion set on the back burner, but they still hope there will be success with this sometime in the future.













Sharon reads from the original 1846 Bible at our National Trust Heritage Festival Open Day

our Parish has agreed to financially support the following ABN mission groups: Northern Territory Discipleship Track; Cyclone Idai Emergency Appeal; Integrated Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Project in Myanmar; and Child Nutrition Project at the Al-Ahli Arab Hospital, Jerusalem. All Smoke Signals readers can also help contribute by collecting their postage stamps, with about 1cm border cut around the stamp. These still raise a substantial amount towards mission.

The Holy Trinity Annual Parish Meeting will be held in August. To be eligible to vote, you must be over 16, be a baptised member of the Anglican Church and have signed the Parish Roll indicating you have attended at least 6 services over the prior 12 months. (full details will be emailed to StM network)

June 9th is Pentecost Sunday. It is traditional to wear a "splash of red" to signify the flames of fire of the Holy

## Pentecost is a day of the new spirit, a day of a new beginning.

You can follow further up-coming events on our Facebook page: stmatthiaswindermere or contact hosfordm@bigpond.net.au to go on our StM email network.

Why not join us? Second and fourth Sundays each month 9am. Rector Dane Courtney 63310041

## EAST TAMAR MENS SHED

he Men's Shed continues to grow and to be of great benefit to our East Tamar community. Despite, a setback in our Hupmobile restoration project, that has been returned to storage awaiting a more opportune membership commitment, the SHED has continued to attract new members and to support current members through new and continued programs.

Our Early Learning Children's Block project has been a major focus over the autumn months with many members contributing significantly in many ways to the crafting of the block sets and the supply of them to schools around Tasmania. These sets would make a great Christmas present for children 3-5 years. Enquire if you would like a set for your child/grandchild. The basic set of 200 blocks is \$260 and a supplementary set of 50 pieces is \$200.

The generosity of the Monaro Owner's Club has benefited ETMS in its ability to expand the diversity of our tool resource through a donation of \$2000 from the proceeds of their National Rally in 2018. We have recently acquired a milling machine for our metalwork section with approriate tools and a new woodworking lathe for our woodwork section. This will enable an expansion of the projects we are able to undertake.

We had a most successful Federal Election Day stall and BBQ, in conjuction with the Fire Brigade. The BBQ resulted in a contribution to each group of \$144.60. Thank you to all those who contributed their time.

orthcoming Events: Friday June 28th Peter Stecenko, ETMS member and Bay City Radio Presenter, will present an evening for the Public on The Convict History of Tasmania.





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**NEW MEMBERS WELCOME** Shed open Wed & Sat.





Gus Green attended the Hillwood ANZAC Day Dawn Breakfast as a member of the Launceston Men's Choir. Whilst up getting his breakfast his wife chose a winning ticket in the raffle and Gus was presented with a crafted macrocarpa bowl donated by Ian Farguhar of ETMS. Gus has subsequently offered the SHED a supply of English Spruce; a rare timber harvested under special licence from the Hollybank forest because of Gus' relationship with the original planter, his father. Just goes to show that little gifts often reap big benefits to the giver.



## Make us an offer

Are you looking for a unique piece of woodwork in macrocarpa to complement your living room? Ian Farquhar has designed and crafted a superb piece now for sale to the benefit of the Men's Shed. Dimensions are approx.: 1metre diameter; 500mm high. Offers over \$600 considered.







## Dilston Fire Brigade



## Tasmania Fire Service

## Register the fire by calling freecall 1800 000 699

By telling the Tasmania Fire Service about your fire you may help prevent false alarms.

#### **New Members**

Welcome to Fire Fighter Jason to the brigade following his transferring from another brigade. Jason brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to our brigade, and we know he is looking forward further training opportunities that will be thrown his way in the near future!

Melbourne Fire Fighter Stair Climb 2019

As mentioned in the last issue of Smoke Signals, the brigade is sending a team to participate in the Melbourne Fire Fighter stair climb. The event in early September is in support of raising awareness of the incidence of PTSD in the emergency service sector, particularly amongst fire fighters. Just a reminder, in support of this undertaking we are collecting old car batteries or similar to aid in funding.. If you have one that you would like to donate to the brigade. please contact one of the officers listed below.

## Wood Heaters | Chimneys and Flues

As the colder weather sets in,

a reminder to everyone to ensure your wood heater flue is cleaned prior to being used this year. The build up of soot and creosote is the major cause of chimney and flue fires, and can in worst case lead to surrounding roofing materials catching fire.



The moisture content of the fire wood you are burning will have a major effect on the rate of build up of soot and creosote in the flue. It is found that many people try to burn wood that is too wet. The ideal moisture content range for fire wood is between 13 and 18%. Anything over 20% will increase the build up in your chimney flue, and can be seen as a tar like substance.

How do you tell we hear you

asking?!

Try to ensure your firewood has been allowed to dry for an extended period of time; i.e. don't use wood that has been freshly cut up! If buying in ask the supplier how long the wood has been drying for.

Furthermore we recommend you obtain a moisture meter in order to be sure. They can be purchased online for under \$20 and are a cheap investment in maintaining the "health" of your wood heater and chimney/flue. As always, we are more than happy to provide advice and point you in the right direction!





www.facebook.com/DilstonFireBrigade www.facebook.com/TasmaniaFireService

#### **Brigade Contacts**

 Raoul Stow
 0417 351 423

 Paul Blakie
 0417 592 424

 Ben Jones
 0417 877 001

 Ken Nolan
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## **HILLWOOD NEWS**

## by Nancy Donnelly

## **MARGARET KELLY TRIBUTE:**

Hillwood Ladies Group held a tribute to Margaret on Wednesday 3rd April. She was a kind lady and well-loved by members. She was always proud of the fact that she was one of the founding members. In fact she was one of the four that attended the first meeting to discuss forming a group and one of the founding members when 16 gathered one month later. We spoke of our memories of Margaret and shed a tear together at our loss. Family members attended and lit a candle.

## **ANZAC DAY**

This, the Hillwood Progress Association's fifth year was again a success. We are so grateful to the donor of prizes for our raffle, eggs for the breakfast and supporters like the wonderful Launceston Men's Choir who enjoy entertaining us as much as we like being entertained by them. 15 dozen eggs are donated by Pure Food Eggs and delivered by former residents Lyn Glover and her daughter Leah. We also appreciate the volunteers who step up every year and who are now a part of a smoothly run, enjoyable event. Winners of the raffle were all present and chose their own prizes when their names were called out. Thanks also to Ivan Dean who filled in at short notice to give the address at the Dawn Service in his role as a member of the armed forces. He spoke eloquently of his visit to Gallipoli.



#### FOOTBALL.

very successful Opening day was held on 6th April, with a game against George Town which is always very popular. Several events were held during the day including a Ladies Wine Tour and a gettogether of former players. About 1100 attended which is pretty good for a small country town. Then, a special re-union was held on Saturday 11th May to recognise and thank players, coaches and supporters from the 1960's when the club was re-formed and the 80's when it was again re-formed. Among the attendees were Kevin Miller, Lindsay and Roger Millar, Keith Scolyer, Bob, Kevin and Fred McLean players from the 60's and Danny and Karen Peet, Michael Pridmore and Alf Waters and

others who were involved in the re-formation in the 80's. Former coaches were also made welcome. Supporters included people like Kaye McLean who started her volunteer role seventy-two years ago helping her Mum as a young child. It was a most enjoyable evening with supper served by the lovely Isobel Airey. Unfortunately, Sally Young who has

been responsible for management of the Canteen for her second season has found she is unable to continue for the rest of the year. We are looking for helpers – even if you can only step in and relieve someone for an hour or half an hour. Please speak to David Donnelly. He will be found in the canteen. Thank you to Sally and good luck for your future.



**Breakfast is served!** 



Enthusiastic volunteers looking slightly bleary eyed just after 6.00 a.m.

#### WALKERS IN HILLWOOD.

Country road rules. I have been asked to try and get signage with advice for walkers on our roads at night. One young man spoke to me about his concern about people walking on the road at night, on the wrong side of the road in dark clothing. I then spoke to others and find there are others who are also concerned. Another concern is the habit of walkers wearing ear-phones which means they might not hear a car approaching.

One area of concern is the brow of the hill along Hillwood Jetty Road close to a corner and another near the corner of the same road near the old Jetty site. In the main, it is advisable to walk on the side of the road facing traffic so at least you can see it and move off the road. However, some areas such as the old Jetty site present a more difficult problem as on one side there is nowhere to go to get off the road. The main thing is – please be aware and try to use

reflective clothing when walking at low visibility times. Drivers are most concerned for your safety. And don't forget, it is the time of FOG.

On this subject, the Hillwood Progress Association Inc has had as one of its projects the provision of a Foreshore Walking Trail. I am pleased to report that George Town Council is still actively seeking a grant for this project.



## HILLWOOD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.

RAFFLE: Thank you to Kathryn Millar and Robyn Wheeler for taking the opportunity to hold a meat raffle on behalf of the Association on Election Day to raise money for our Community Fund. Winner of the raffle was Craig Rigby of Hillwood. \$206 was raised. Our Community Fund was set up in order to have funds available for needs within our Community.

NEXT MEETING: The June meeting was Committee only. The August meeting which is open to Association members and the public will be on August 5th at the Hillwood Hall at 7.00 p.m. George Town Council General Manager Shane Power will be in attendance. The cost to join the Association is \$5 per year. The membership fee is due on 30th June. However, as long as your fee is paid before our meeting on the 5th August, you will be eligible to vote.

#### **DELIVERING SMOKE SIGNALS:**

I was interested to learn that there are a total of 900 of the Newsletters delivered every second month from Landfall through to Mt Direction. If you could help with deliveries in the Hillwood/ Mt Direction areas by donating an hour of your time once every two months, please contact Alf Waters on 63 948224.

## **HILLWOOD FIRE BRIGADE NEWS:**

Recently Alan Hunt retired as a member of the fire brigade. The brigade would like to thank Alan for his volunteer service over the last 11 years and wish him well in his future endeavours.

With the cold weather upon us, it is a timely reminder to consider your home fire safety.

Making sure your smoke alarms are working

Clean and maintain chimneys and heater flues

Keep materials and flammables at least 2 meters from the heater

These are just a few things to think about.

For more information on Home Fire Safety visit the Tasmania Fire Service website at http://www.fire.tas.gov. au and follow the links.

The Hillwood Fire Brigade meet at 6.30pm every second Thursday evening at the fire station. New members welcome.

If you would like to find out more about volunteering in a brigade, please call Brigade Chief Elaine Burns 0417 540665

ANNUAL VOLUNTEER AWARDS. George Town Council held their Annual Volunteer Awards evening on Thursday 23rd May at which many awards were presented to Associations and groups. President Roger Millar was presented with an award on behalf of the Hillwood Progress Association Inc. He also accepted an award for the Hillwood Fire Brigade which he delivered to the Fire Station on his way home as it was training night.

**SIGNAL STATION TAVERN:** Many of us will be looking forward to having meals at the local Tavern soon. They are advertising for interested person/s to operate the kitchen. They are also keen to provide musical entertainment.

ACHIEVEMENTS: Don't forget to let me know if you have any achievements to report or any news from Hillwood, Mt Direction and the Glen. Please phone me on 0431 613 484 or nancydonnelly@bigpond.com

## HILLWOOD GARDEN CLUB

The Hillwood Garden Club meets on the third Thursday of every month at 7.30pm at the Hillwood Hall.

Guest speaker at the May meeting was Barrie Robinson, ably assisted by his wife Janis. Barrie presented a slide show and most informative talk on "Ferns".

Among some of the earliest land plants to evolve, ferns were an important part of the landscape during the time of the dinosaurs and there are about 12,000 different species, or types, of fern throughout the world, some appearing on Earth more than 360 million years ago.

Members usually bring an interesting flower to the meeting and then each person present puts 5 cents on the one they like best; the one with most money on it is FLOWER OF THE NIGHT:- The May Flower of the Night was Hakea laurina (Pincushion Hakea).

NEXT MEETING:- 7.30 pm
Monday 17th June at Hillwood Hall.
A request was received for a poetry
night, so that is what it is - Poetry
Night. New members: select a
poem relating to plants, nature,
gardens etc, bring and be prepared
to read. All welcome.



## **COMMUNITY EVENTS COMING UP**

Windermere Church Forever Inc

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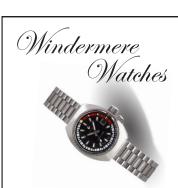
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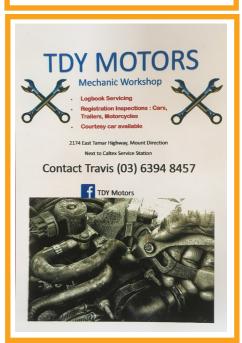
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## Ivan Dean MLC

Your local Independent
Member for Windermere Legislative Council



I am frequently in the Hillwood and Dilston areas and happy to catch up should I be able to assist with any issues.

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> Henty House One Civic Square Launceston TAS 7250

#### First Home Owner Grant

## The \$20 000 grant for eligible first home owners who are building or buying a brand new home, has now been extended to 30 June 2020

(The extension is subject to the passage of legislation through the Parliament.) The grant is open to eligible first home owners for the purchase or building of a new home.

Also offering a 50% concession on property transfer duty for first home buyers of established homes if your property value is \$400 000 or lower.

## Duty concession for pensioners downsizing to another home is extended to 30 June 2020

(The extension is subject to the gazetting of a Ministerial Order.)

This offers a 50% property transfer duty concession to eligible pensioners who sell their existing home & downsize to a new home valued at \$400 000 (or lower) within the buying period of 10th February 2018 to 30th June 2020.

With the recent bank rate cut, mortgages at the cheapest rate in the last 100 years. This aims to ignite an interest in the housing market that seems to have fallen into a slump on the mainland. The CBA bank was the first to pass on the .25% cut.

In Tasmania there is still strong buyer interest & demand for properties. Within the CBD areas, record high prices are still being achieved. Rural areas are starting to see the market as a bit slower. Overall, Tasmania's economy is now growing strongly due to mainland buyers purchasing here at a cheaper price than elsewhere in the country coupled with a lovely cooler climate, & a strong tourism sector. Rental yields are still higher than many other states of Australia with the income being in excess of 5% in many cases.

If you are thinking of selling & would like a no pressure, no obligation, free appraisal, please call me to arrange a time.

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