

FLETCHER'S NURSERY



It all started when the couple were both Post graduate students at the University of Melbourne and living in a rental apartment in Brunswick. With no garden to work with, they converted their single parking space into an urban food jungle.

“When Poppy saw a house with an old plant nursery for sale in Dilston, we were smitten, and saw the opportunity to use everything we had learnt about growing plants, designing and planting gardens and creating spaces that connect people with nature.”

Fletcher and Co. Is a nursery with a difference.

Joel Fletcher - Fletcher & Co Nursery

It's a well kept secret that we have one of Tasmania's best nurseries right here in Dilston. Joel and Poppy Fletcher's Fletcher and Co. is principally a wholesale nursery but open to the public from Friday to Sunday throughout the year.

The Fletchers bought the nursery from the Van Noord family in 2015. Many locals will remember the formidable matriarch, Mrs Van Noord, who had the ability to freeze children in their tracks with her loud “NO RUNNING!” Joel and Poppy, with their children Madeleine, Abel and Soloman, have developed the nursery substantially over the last five years.

“The Van Noords specialised in young plant stock, but we have moved to more mature plants, shrubs and trees,” Joel said.

Joel studied science and architecture but always was attracted to gardening, whether in a suburban backyard in Melbourne or on their hobby farm at Exeter.

“One of the things we learned quickly about Tasmania is the importance of relationships, of taking the time to listen to people and their stories. In the nursery, through talking with hundreds of customers, we have learned the common problems people are trying to solve in their gardens. We love talking with customers about their gardens and planting plans, and helping them find solutions so they can experience the richness of life with plants.”

The nursery now stocks an amazing range of plants and trees, almost all propagated on site and suited to Tasmanian conditions.

So, if you have a space to fill in your garden, don't drive to Bunnings- call in to see Joel on John Lees Drive. You'll get expert advice and healthy locally grown plants, from young stock to advanced trees.

The nursery is open from 10am to 4pm, Friday to Sunday throughout the year.



GET WELL NANCY

Our Hillwood correspondent Nancy Donnelly suffered a stroke recently and is now recovering at home. Nancy has kept us up to date with all the Hillwood news since Smoke Signals expanded into Hillwood more than 10 years ago. I'm sure all our readers will join the Smoke Signals team in wishing her a speedy and complete



NEW SERVICE STATION FOR MOUNT DIRECTION

A development application has been lodged with the George Town Council to establish a new service station and convenience store adjacent to the Signal Station Tavern. The proposal is for a new service station with a canopy for cars and a separate covered fuel delivery area for trucks. Being on the Western side of the road it will mean that motorists travelling in either direction have access to a fuel stop without having to cross the highway.



PARCEL PICKUP AT MOUNT DIRECTION

Many residents in the Windermere Dilston and Swan Bay area are having trouble collecting their mail/parcels from their current outlet due to days/ hours open. We are able to provide this service but they will need to fill out a change of mail/parcel drop off forum for this to happen.

Here is the link to the paper work.

Mail Redirection Application (auspost.com.au)

Regards

Travis Young Ampol Mt Direction

BIRDS OF THE TAMAR Flame Robin— *Petroica phoenicea*



Male Flame Robin Photo: John Tongue

Male Flame Robins have a bright orange breast and throat, and are white on the lower belly and undertail. The top of their head and back is dark slate grey and there is a clear white stripe on the folded wing. The bill is black and the legs dark brown. The female is quite different from the male, being mostly grey-brown with a pale buff wing stripe, and a mostly white outer tail feather. Young Flame Robins resemble the adult female, but the brown of the back is heavily streaked with buff and the pale belly is streaked with brown.

Similar species

The male Flame Robin may be confused with the male Scarlet Robin, *Petroica multicolor*. This species is black above and on the head, extending to the throat, with a scarlet breast and upper belly. Female and young Flame Robins can easily be confused with those of several other robin species. The main difference is that the outermost tail feather is white, and the next one has only a white edging.

Where does it live?

Flame Robins are found in a broad coastal band around the south-east corner of the Australian mainland, from southern Queensland to just west of the South Australian border. The species is also found in Tasmania.

Habitat

Flame Robins prefer forests and woodlands up to about 1800m above sea level.

In winter, Flame Robins may move to lower and more open areas, including gardens, and some Tasmanian birds move to the mainland.

Breeding

The Flame Robin may lay up to two clutches during breeding season. The eggs are pale green or blue eggs, spotted with brown marks. These marks are mostly at the larger end. The nest is built by the female, and is a grass and bark cup, bound with spider web and decorated with lichen. It is normally placed in a cavity in a tree or rock face, or other similar area up to 20 m above the ground. The female also incubates the eggs, while the male supplies her with food. Both sexes feed the young chicks.

From:

<http://birdsinyourbackyards.net/species/Petroica-phoenicea>

This is a great site for all Australian birds.

Flame Robins and Scarlet Robins are often seen in gardens and open woodland in Tasmania. They predominantly feed on insects amongst leaf litter and can be seen perching on fences and posts where they obtain a good vantage point for hunting.



Female Flame Robin. Photo: David Cook

GARDEN CLUB NEWS

APRIL: TWO DILSTON GARDENS - Garden Club members enjoyed a guided walk around Wendy's and Marilyn's gardens in Dilston on a rather cloudy autumn afternoon in April. They are two very different gardens, both of which have many beautiful and contrasting features.

Wendy's garden is a large, former market garden with panoramic views to the Tamar Estuary, and Marilyn's garden is a secret hideaway garden with magical pathways and hidden surprises. I will let the pictures speak for themselves. Thank you to Marilyn and Wendy for a very special afternoon.



Clockwise from left: Marilyn's gorgeous dahlias in Autumn, Wendy's birdbath, Wendy's panoramic view, Marilyn's secret garden fishpond.



colours for our visit. The Tasmanian rainforest section was enjoyed in particular for its amazing scents. Wollemi pines stood proud in the Australian and Gondwana sections.

MAY: TASMANIAN ARBORETUM – near Devonport

The Tasmanian Arboretum, which is approximately 35 hectares in size, is a not-for-profit association - owned by its members - and managed by volunteers.

More than 5,000 trees thrive in this beautiful and peaceful valley; included are trees from temperate zones found around the world, and grouped in collections related to their geographic origins. There were many different beeches, oaks, redwoods and other trees ablaze with their autumn



Garden Club members strolled as a group for nearly two hours, along grassy pathways on the main track. Our picnic lunches were enjoyed at the Arboretum lookout, before we continued on to view the Tiger Wall. From here we proceeded down the hill towards the lake - observing the unusual celery pines along the way. At Founders Lake several platypuses actively performed their aquatic antics in clear view, close to the banks. As we rounded the lake, expansive images of trees mirrored in the water came into view, and we all stopped to enjoy the magic.

As we neared our tour's end, a magnificent ginkgo biloba came into view - resplendent in golden leaves - solitary and perfect. It was a most enjoyable excursion. We celebrated with a group photo and home-made ice cream at the very friendly kiosk. *(From Elizabeth File – thanks Elizabeth).* **If you haven't visited the Tasmanian Arboretum, then I urge you to do so. Here is a link for further information: <http://www.tasmanianarboretum.org.au/>**



Garden Club welcomed two new members this month. Our next gathering will be in July: **Midwinter Celebration Lunch at Apricus in Norwood**

If you would like to participate in Garden Club activities, please contact me. New members are always very welcome.

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BEES IN THE GARDEN



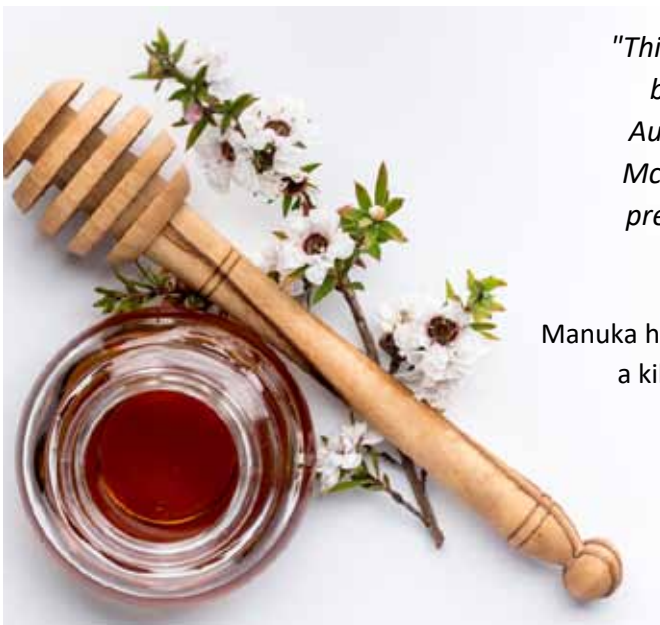
CAUSE FOR CELEBRATION

May 22 marked a red letter day for Tassie manuka honey producers

Since 2016 there has been a bitter, long-running fight described as "a trans-Tasman tussle of extraordinary proportions over trademark rights for manuka honey".

Now, thanks to their perserverance, Australian manuka honey producers have won another battle in a long running trans-Tasman war over who can use the distinctive word, manuka. In a decision handed down on May 22, the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) said the New Zealand-based Manuka Honey Appellation Society's (MHAS) bid to trademark the word was unsuccessful.

The honey they are fighting over sells for up to \$500 per kilogram and is only produced from a single plant, *Leptospermum scoparium*. (pictured above).



"This decision is a sensible outcome that ensures Aussie beekeepers can fairly market their produce," said Australian Manuka Honey Association chairman Ben McKee in a statement. "It also sees NZ following other precedents around the world that manuka honey is a descriptive term."

Manuka honey from both countries is sold for hundreds of dollars a kilogram, and is included in a range of medicinal products because of its anti-viral, anti-bacterial, and anti-inflammatory properties.

In making its case, a five year study proved that Australian medicinal honeys were equal to or better than New Zealand honey.

Photo source: Canva

Article Source: ABC RURAL - national rural reporter Clint Jasper

Despite the weather, there continues to be a good roll up at the Mens Shed with members working on projects for themselves and for other organisations. A huge task which has taken many weeks has been the construction of wood and metal room divider screens and planter boxes made to fill a request by a local company. The result is highly professional and a good demonstration of the skill of a couple of members to produce high quality items.



Office Screens



One of the 3 planter boxes



Wooden car carrier and log truck for sale



Also, a member has made some rustic and highly functional wooden toys which are available for sale at prices around the \$30 mark depending on the work involved. A great present for any child having a birthday or put it away for Christmas. Contact secretary@etms.org.au or call at the Mens Shed behind the Dilston Monday, Wednesday, or Saturday mornings.

While the Mens Shed welcomes donations of timber and old furniture for recycling please call and discuss it with us rather than just leave it when the Shed is not open, as space is limited.



ETMS is assisted by equipment grants from the Tasmanian Government.



CHURCH NEWS St Matthias' Anglican Church

Services are held 2nd and 4th Sundays each month at 9am Rev. John Tongue 0488473973

Some points of extra interest over the past 2 months include:



Several of our congregation helped at the Launceston Alive Easter Festival at Riverbend Park, assisting children understand and remember the Easter story by making "Good News" wristbands. The coloured beads represent, in order: Green- Creation, Black-our sin, Red-Jesus' death, White-forgiveness, Blue-the Holy Spirit, Gold-eternal life.



Services with a special emphasis included ANZAC commemoration, Mother's Day and Pentecost. Thanks to our "flower ladies" for theming the fresh flowers so appropriately.

It was lovely to see one local Windermere resident share their Easter message.



Johannes brought along his amazing St Matthias' scale model which he had entered in Brixhibition.



Retirement of Rev Dane Courtney: By the time of this publication, Dane and Bron Courtney's time in our Parish will be over, as he retires on June 4th after 6 years in the position. He has faced difficult issues including the sale of churches to fund sexual redress claims, leading to amalgamations with South Launceston and Evandale, adding 2 more worship centres to the Holy Trinity mix. Despite all this St Matthias has ended up stronger due to extensive community and parish support. We thank the Courtneys for their time and service in the Parish and wish them well for the future. Until a new rector is appointed, Rev John Tongue will step up to the Senior position, and Rev Ken Box and Rev Bob McKay will take our services.

In previous years, we have organised a collection of warm clothing and non-perishable food over winter. As we no longer have the café as an extra drop-off point, we won't be doing that this year, but we do encourage you to donate what you can to Anglicare, Vinnies, City Mission etc as the need in the wider community is increasing greatly. Please phone 0409317806 for pick-up if you are unable to deliver goods to a charity yourself.

This November heralds the 180 year anniversary of the first service at St Matthias. We are considering a weekend of celebrations, probably 25/26th, possibly including a lunch or dinner, a fundraising concert, and a commemorative service. Please contact 0409317806, or any local church members, with your suggestions for this.

Rev. John Tongue 0488473973 Subscribe to our weekly Parish email newsletter, via a message to rector@htl.org.au, or Join our Facebook page [stmatthiaswindermere](https://www.facebook.com/stmatthiaswindermere) for any important updates.

OUR HISTORY

DILSTON WINDERMERE VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE.

History from an individual perspective...

By Mike Adams

Following the 1967 bushfires that took lives and property in Hobart, the government of the day instituted volunteer brigades to cover those areas not served by professionals. The Dilston Windermere Brigade was amongst them.

As with most volunteer organisations the brigade has had its highs and lows. Such matters as changes of personnel, governmental budgetary restrictions affecting equipment and long periods without any activity all reduced enthusiasm.

At one stage residents of Dilston petitioned to have the area covered by the professionals at the Rocherlea station.

When I went to join in the mid 1970's I found a group of men standing in a circle being addressed by the permanent officer in charge of 'rural' brigades. It appeared that they needed to elect a new Captain. After a certain time, the principal of a nearby state primary school said 'There's Mike.

He's community minded.' (I serviced his school among many others as an Education Department Welfare Officer.) So I became Captain and was given several books and booklets to study relating to my duties.

Two years before this I had been teaching at a school for emotionally disturbed adolescents in London and living in a first floor flat in Brixton.

I instituted weekly training sessions that were attended regularly only by Dudley Williams and his dog who lived a few hundred metres away.

Brigade's equipment consisted of an elderly Willys 4-wheel drive tanker with its pump being powered by the engine of the tanker, garaged in the Fire Shed in Dilston and a tanker trailer, garaged on a property near Magazine Road.

The trailer, I was advised, needed a V8 or 4-wheel drive vehicle to tow it. Since there was at the time a move to more economical vehicles, they were scarce. Things pottered along and gradually

more people turned up at practices where the Willys and the trailer were introduced. I was supported, and instructed, by then Deputy Captain Leon Miller when a serious fire broke out next to Windermere Road.

The next fire where the Willys was needed was in Swan Bay. I drove there and engaged the pump which promptly failed. Household holders with garden hoses put the fire out eventually.

The Fire Service garage mended the power take off. A week or so later it failed again at a practice in the bush. Dorothy Wise then wrote a letter to the Launceston chief officer effectively saying enough was enough. I followed up with visits to HQ and got the promise of a light Toyota Tanker in a year's time, or the present of an International truck's cab and chassis that'd needed building up.

Democratically the International and Toyota were sampled by the community in the paddock adjacent to the Fire Shed. The vote fell on the



Early Members



Dilston Fire Brigade Toyota

International. Next stage was to find the money to equip it.

My wife and I decided to poll local householders requesting each to donate \$10. Some refused, saying it was up to the Lilydale Council: others gave more generously. Shortly afterwards we were summoned to the Council to explain why we were levying money, which was their job. After explanations, the Councillors became enthusiastic supporters and promised garage space to build it in and a council mechanic to work on it.

All tankers need specialist equipment: pump(s), hoses and hose reels, nozzles, helmets, gloves, breathing apparatus, spotlights, fuel cans, household fuse extractors, etc. I determined that we should have a detachable pump as well as a vehicle mounted one.

In December 1990, Eric Sandblom had the bright idea of a Brigade Newsletter, naturally called 'Smoke Signals', which has grown into a community tradition. Eric was physically unable to manage Fire Brigade activities, but his contributions were highly valued in reporting and promoting Brigade activities.

As fundraising continued, community support grew. Ladies' luncheons started, poetry evenings in Dilston Hall were held. Trivial Pursuit, Music Halls, pea straw sales, art displays and garage sales, a billy cart race, auctions, a fancy dress ball and when enough money had been raised, we used some of the money to hold a very successful raffle with a prize for the winning family of an expense paid weekend in Melbourne which brought in several thousand dollars.

Fund raising became a regular feature of the Brigade's activities: its financial matters were reported regularly in Smoke Signals.

During this period the Deputy slot was ably filled by Mike Thomas. Reporting regularly to the Fire Service in Launceston brought more help: a big two-cylinder vehicle pump arrived as did a detachable Honda 5hp pump and hoses.

Donations from a friend brought steel lockers. A fuel depot in Goderich Street provided a large disused petrol tank, which resembled a giant Colman's oval mustard tin. Rob McLaine's firm converted its stance from vertical to horizontal and two local lads were

conscripted to paint its insides. They were allowed out every ten minutes to breathe.

Eventually the job was finished and a christening ceremony was held in the Fire Shed, with the Council Mechanic's wife pouring a small amount of champagne over the bull bars.

Its first few uses in bush fires showed that, though the Inter carried a sensible amount of water, its bulk limited where it could go, whereas Toyota light tankers could use smaller bush tracks. However, their smaller water capacity meant frequently returning to Mother to fill up.

The major factor in our decision to cover Windermere and Swan Bay with their own vehicles was to improve the speed of our response. 'All fires start small' – and the quicker you can get to them the easier they are to extinguish – and the time needed to get brigade members to Dilston, to get the Inter started and then to drive to the fires was, in our view, too slow.

Continued in the next edition



Tasmania Fire Service

Dilston and Hillwood Fire Brigades



Register your burn offs and fires by calling freecall 1800 000 699

By letting us know, you will help to prevent false alarms!

RECRUITMENT 2023

Both brigades are looking to bolster our numbers in 2023 particularly for daytime weekday response. If you feel you might have some time to give to an essential service to the Tasmania community, then please touch base via one of the contacts below. Who knows, it might be a little different to what you think!! Thankyou to those that have shown some interest so far. Please also keep an eye on our socials for upcoming community engagement opportunities...perhaps even with a free sausage!

CAN WE FIT

Just a gentle reminder to have a look at your property entrances to ensure unimpeded access by emergency services.

There has been recent instances where over grown entry points have hindered access for both TFS and Ambulance Tasmania vehicles.

See over for abit of a guide!

NATIONAL EMERGENCY MEDAL

The NSW and VIC Bushfires of 2019-20 were declared a nationally-significant emergency for the purpose of the National Emergency Medal on 2 December 2020.



The minimum duration of service that a person is required to have completed to qualify for sustained service is 5 days (whether consecutive or not) each involving service in direct response to the declared emergency relating to a local government area in an eligible emergency period for the area.

Both Hillwood and Dilston Brigades were represented with



Firefighters Neville, Ian, Robyn, Chris and Bert all receiving their awards recently. Neville also received the ACT Emergency Medal.



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.../TasmaniaFireService

Dilston Fire Brigade Contacts

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Ben Jones	0417 877 001
Ken Nolan	0448 320 996

Hillwood Fire Brigade Contacts

Elaine Burns	0417 540 665
Sharon Clarke	0417 600 571
Leon Hodges	0409 169 288
Andy Kendall	0427 818 282



Did you spot us?!!

Each year TFS and SES provide support to major community events like Agfest, and the major motorsport events at Symmons Plains. Thankyou to our brigade members that gave up their time for these events.



HILLWOOD NEWS

Normally the Hillwood News is written by Nancy Donnelly, however, as one of the cards she received said, you are supposed to write the news, not be it. Nancy was watching her favourite football team when she had a stroke. Luckily for Nancy, 3 nurses were present and we able to assist, and she was quickly transported by ambulance to the LGH, where she received lifesaving medication. She was then transferred by the Royal Flying Doctors to the Hobart Hospital and underwent successful surgery. We believe the actions of all involved gave Nancy the best chance of a full recovery. Nancy is improving daily and is now back at home. Thank you to all those who have sent their best wishes, cards, flowers and offers of help. The family are extremely grateful for all who assisted on the day and for the wonderful medical staff both here and in Hobart.

I am told the Launceston General Hospital is one of the leading hospitals in Australia for recognising Stroke Victims and administering lifesaving medication in a timely manner. The staff were amazing. If you suspect anyone of having a stroke, remember to use the FAST test by asking these simple questions.

1. Face – Check their face. Has their mouth drooped?
2. Arms – Can they lift both arms?
3. Speech – Is their speech slurred? Do they understand you?
4. Time – Time is critical. If you see any of these signs, call 000 straight away.

HAPPY NEWS:

OSBORNE: Congratulations to Jo Osborne on the birth of her grandson in December, son of Jack and Gabi, who are both in the Royal Australian Navy.

JENKINS: Congratulations to Brett and Meghan Jenkins on the recent birth of Bridie Janne Jenkins. Granddaughter no. 3 for Craig and Fiona Jenkins.

HILLWOOD LADIES GROUP:

Meet Wednesday mornings from 10.00 a.m. til noon at the Meditation Centre, 362 Hillwood Main Road. Cost \$4. Contact: Gayle Laverty on 63948213.

HILLWOOD MEDITATION CENTRE: For more events being held at the Meditation Centre check out the Hillwood Road Meditation Skills Centre Facebook page.

HILLWOOD FOOTBALL CLUB:

Thursday night meals continue during the football season. Meals now start from 5:30pm, with the footballers coming in for meals around 7pm. For a quick turnaround, there is a choice of two meals, and you can eat in or take away, but what a great opportunity to meet the locals.

Our WOMEN's TEAM have now won their second game. Their next home game at Hillwood is on Sunday July 2nd at 12noon against Meander Valley. Even if you don't know any of the players, the girls are always exciting to watch.

Well done to our Hillwood Sharks Footballers Hamish Leedham, Isaac Thompson, Jack Tuthill, Jacob Boyd, Tyson Miller and Archie Wilkinson on being elected to play in the NTFA rep side against the NWFL. Having 6 Hillwood players represented in the team shows the depth of the talent this season. Well done boys! The senior boys have won all their games to date.

For events follow the HILLWOOD SHARKS FOOTBALL facebook page.



HILLWOOD GARDEN CLUB :

Meeting on the 3rd Monday of the month, the garden club has a wide range of topics. In March the guest speaker was Stephanie Payne, from the Launceston Bonsai Society. Stephanie brought a variety of Bonsai trees including a dead one which she used to demonstrate various aspects on how to do Bonsai.

In April the Theme was - "Native Plants in Garden Ponds" with Greg Lundstrom. In a previous life in Natural Resources Management, Greg propagated native water and bog plants for wetlands plantings. Now in retirement, he continues with growing these plants for his own purposes and for sale. The For Sale sign is usually on the roadside from Friday to Sunday at 49 Old Bangor Tram Road, Mount Direction. Greg explained the importance of maintaining the correct Ph levels and used lime and vinegar in an experiment to explain the process. Each month brings something new and interesting. In May the topic was "Care and Maintenance of Potted Plants, Indoor and Outdoor". The next meeting is Monday 19th June 7:30pm at the Hillwood Hall Supper Room.

For more details Contact: Geraldine Goodwin on 63 948267.



THE HILLWOOD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

(Provided by President, Robyn Wheeler)

Healthy Hillwood

Kylie of Sherriff's Health and Fitness, continue to guide us through a range of different low impact exercises, to suit all ages, all abilities, tailored to your individual needs.

Sessions are currently being held at 11am on Thursdays at the Hillwood Hall until 29th June 2023.

This is still no cost at this time, thanks to the George Town Council.

Mental Health- ROYAL FLYING DOCTORS

Reminder that the Royal Flying Doctor Service for youth and adult mental health worker services are now offered in Hillwood. You can self-refer, or you can organise a referral from a health professional. The Adult Mental Health Support Worker, Kate Gray can be contacted on 0448 854 479 kate.gray@rfdstas.org.au. For anyone under 18 please contact Joseph McLennan 0447 388 755 joseph.mclennan@rfdstas.org.au. This is a free service to those living in rural and remote Australia.

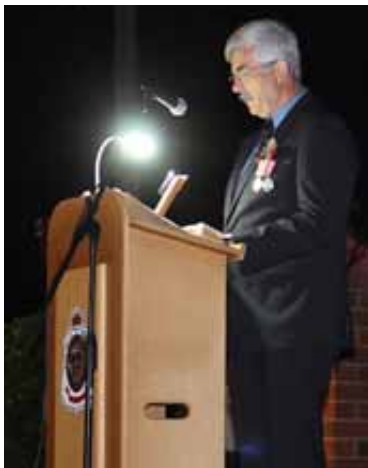
Remember it's okay to be not okay.

Anzac Day Dawn Service:

This year we had a very moving speaker in Stewart Bain who spoke about his father who served with 2 Battalion, the Black Watch, Royal Highland Regiment, who defended the Heraklion airport in Crete and also fought against the Japanese in the jungles of Burma. Stewart's father was seriously injured and was one of the walking wounded who walked for two days from a village called Labu to Indawghi Lake.

This photo taken by Zach Hansen shows Stewart holding a model of a Sunderland flying boat similar to the one that flew his father out of Northern Burma to a hospital in Assam in India. Thank you Stewart, for sharing your father's story. Lest we forget.

Breakfast was again held at the Hillwood Hall following the service. Special thanks go to all those who helped on the day and also with setting up and packing up. You know who you are and we couldn't have done this without you.



Thanks also to the raffle donors, Hinton Bay Wines, East Tamar Mens Shed (Wine Rack), Michael Carey (Mulch bags) and Anne Green Flower Farm. Also thanks to Tim and Elle Wheeler from Landfall Farm Fresh, Jeff Carr Hillwood Vineyard, Julie Airey, Three Wishes Wine, the Signal Station Tavern, and to Zach Hansen for being our photographer for the day.



Thanks also to the George Town Council for completing the installation of the sound system at the Hall in time for Anzac Day. The sound system along with the previously installed acoustics is greatly appreciated by the Hillwood Community and will serve to enhance any function that is to be held in the Hall.

A total of \$546.10 over and above the cost of the breakfast was raised. A charity will be chosen at the Next HPA general meeting to be held on Tuesday 20th June 2023 7pm at the Hillwood Hall.

Come have your say and find out what's happening in the community, new members always welcome.

SCAMS – How to spot a scam : Friday 30th June 2023 from 10am till 12pm at the Hillwood Football Club.

Scams are becoming increasingly sophisticated and according to SCAMWatch, over 194 million dollars has been lost by Australians so far this year. In conjunction with Linda Jackson from the George Town Library, the Hillwood Football Club and the Hillwood Progress Association, come and learn about the latest types of SCAMS and how to spot them. Protect yourself and learn about what to do if you think you have been scammed. Everybody welcome.



A night time session will be held at a date to be decided. Keep your eyes on the Chalkboards, the HILLWOOD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION or the HILLWOOD, TASMANIA, AUSTRALIA facebook pages.

Meet the Neighbours: Sausage Sizzle.

With a lot of new residents arriving in Hillwood, we would like to invite you to a meet the Neighbours Sausage Sizzle at the Hillwood Hall on Sunday July 16th 2023 at 1pm. The Hillwood History Room will be open, the kids can play at the playground, kick a ball, play a game or just have a chat. For a relaxed afternoon, come and meet some of your neighbours.

Hillwood History Room –

Keep your eyes open on the Chalkboards for any other opening days or phone for an appointment. We are now able to consider adding items of interest to the collection. Should anyone wish to donate or allow copying of items, please email HillwoodHistoryRoom@outlook.com or phone Julie on 0408 275 539. Volunteer positions available also. Come visit us!

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We rely on volunteers for the distribution of Smoke Signals, so can't guarantee that you will receive it in your mailbox every time. Why not subscribe to our on line version and be sure to keep up to date with local happenings (you'll still get the printed version if we have a deliverer in your area).

Just email smokesignals@bigpond.com with SUBSCRIBE in the subject line and we'll add you to our online subscription list.

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Hillwood Fire Brigade
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Launceston Council

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Playgroup
Not operating at the moment
**Dilston/Swan Bay/Windermere
Garden Club**
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East Tamar Mens Shed
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Book Discussion Group
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