

Port Julia Progress Association Newsletter



AUGUST 2014

From the President

Welcome to my last newsletter as President of the Port Julia Progress Association, as I will be standing down at the AGM in September.

Dinner in the Red Shed. The recent dinner in the Red Shed (Rump in the Red Shed) was a huge success. Approximately 60 people came along and enjoyed the best food, wine and entertainment. The 2 piece band were excellent and kept the dancing mood up all night. Steaks, hot potatoes, salads and desert were prepared to perfection. A big thank you to everyone who helped with the food and preparation of the shed. Once again Brian Cherry and Graham Ward were the main contributors to the shed transformation.

New Rain Water Tank. We recently purchased a new rain water tank for collection from our new storage shed and some landscaping around that area along with new gravel, has made the apron in front of the Brian Cherry Community Hall much more presentable.

Environmental Work. On the environmental front we have planted a number of tube stock in the camp ground, south end of town and on the Graham Ward Northern Walking Trail. On going maintenance is continuing along the trail with weed control around all of the plants and spraying of the track. Plans are now in place to tackle some box thorns that have reappeared and a watering programme for the coming months.

New Port Julia Signage. As you drive into Port Julia there has been a new sign erected that we received from the *Packaging Stewardship Forum AUSTRALIAN Food and Grocery Council*. They also donated bin stickers for waste and recycle bin in public areas. Thank you to the DCYP for erecting the sign for us.

Graham Ward Northern Walking Trail. We are just finalizing a NRM grant which has allowed us to have a new sign made and erected on the Graham Ward Northern Walking Trail at the end of Osprey Street along with funding for grading the track and native plants to be planted. There are more grants that are currently in the pipeline, the new committee will keep you informed.

Public Toilets. The new public toilets near the Red Shed are not far away, the toilets have been made in Adelaide, approval has been granted, just waiting for the contractors WON'T BE LONG NOW.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone I have been involved with while I have been on the committee and as President, your support has been wonderful. THANK YOU.

Don't forget the AGM on September 6th at 7.30. A guest speaker will be from the Yorke Peninsula Landowners Group to talk about the **Hillside Mine Development**.

Kevin Ising, President, Port Julia Progress Association, 0428 962 733

(Thanks to Anne Chappel for compiling this newsletter)

**Notice of Annual General Meeting
of the Port Julia Progress Association Inc.
to be held on Saturday, September 6, 2014 at 7:30 pm
in the Brian Cherry Community Hall**

Business

1. To receive a report of the Committee of the proceedings of the Committee for the financial year ended 30 June 2014.
2. To receive an audited Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts for the financial year ended 30 June 2014.
3. To elect or re-elect members to the Committee.
4. To appoint an auditor for the financial year commencing on 1 July 2014 and ending on 30 June 2015.
5. To adopt a new Constitution.
6. To attend to any other business of which due notice has been given in writing 7 days before the commencement of the meeting.
7. To deal with any other business the President may direct.
8. To award any Life Memberships.

Annual General Meeting

Bring & Share: Members please note that the Association's AGM will be held on Saturday, 6 September 2014 at 7:30 in the Brian Cherry Community Hall. It is a "bring a plate" occasion.

Presentation. During the evening there will be a presentation by the Yorke Peninsula Landowners Group (*yplandowners.com.au*) with regard to their position on the Hillside Mine being developed by Rex Minerals.

New Constitution. Also, the Committee is proposing the adoption of a new Constitution.

If you would like a copy of the proposed Constitution please contact Rob Moon, robmoon@bigpond.net.au, 0488-343-131 or 8332-3431 to obtain a copy by either e-mail or post.

Copies will also be available in the Brian Cherry Community Hall.



Curramulka Cultural Heritage Group

The Curramulka Cultural Heritage Group are holding an event in October. We are looking for photos of the streets of Curramulka and old family photos of past residents from the Curramulka district in the lead up to the event. I am hoping the following article could be displayed in your respective newsletters to help us in our search. Please let me know if I have forwarded this email to the correct recipient.

The Curramulka Cultural Heritage group is holding a Pioneer Day in early October to celebrate and remember the pioneering families who settled the district. We are seeking photos and memorabilia (mementoes, letters and so on) of families who have lived in the Curramulka district and images of the streets of Curramulka. We are also looking for a number of dressmaker dummies to display our growing collection of clothing. We are happy to collect and return these items to you. If you can help us in our endeavours, please contact Sid on 8854 2001.

Sidney di Gorsky

Secretary /Records Manager, Curramulka Cultural Heritage Group



PORT JULIA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION CONCEPT PLAN

Earlier this year, a Subcommittee of the PJPA Committee analysed the existing Concept Plan and made recommendations to the Committee which were adopted in their entirety.

These recommendations are shown below.

Since then, another suggestion received has been the installation of solar lights at strategic points within the town, for example, above the steps. Because some members may not have responded, further suggestions will be taken until 15 Decembe, 2014 to provide all with the opportunity to participate. After that a new Concept Plan will be developed.

It is envisaged that this will again provide the focus for PJPA development through appropriate grants.

Roger Underwood, Vice President

Chair, Concept Plan Committee

PJPA CONCEPT PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS TO PJPA COMMITTEE

ISSUES DISCUSSED :Existing Concept Plan; Submissions Received; Other Suggestions

EXISTING CONCEPT PLAN

Issues Remaining (Reference: Appendix D "*Recommendations from PJPA*")

Item 1: Develop a Traffic Management Plan for Port Julia that reduces the speed limit to 25KPH and improves visual approaches to all intersections of roads within township boundaries.

(This was discussed in conjunction with Item 19 Closure of Mill Road, Item 23 Bitumen Seal/Line Marking/Traffic Flow Mounds, Item 25 Painted Road Lines / Traffic Flow Mounds and Suggestions re Closure of Endeavor Drive Residents)/ Reduction of Speed Limit on Active Road (Chappels))

Recommended That:

1. Mills Road not be closed at present because of additional maintenance issues for PJPA: possible alternative uses; current usage by vehicles. Retain it on Concept Plan as a low priority and for further discussion by the community.
2. Proposal "Road Safety in The Township of Port Julia" submitted by Brian Cherry be used as an interim Traffic Plan for Port Julia and for discussions with DCYP.
3. A speed limit of 40 KPH be adopted for the entire town of Port Julia.
4. Slow Down signs in accord with Australian Design Rules be placed in approaches to Port Julia
5. Endeavour Road to be closed (residents to be consulted re which end)

Item 5: Design and Develop a Children's Playground

Recommended That:

This Item be dropped off the Concept plan because of safety issues, costs associated with playgrounds for children and the age profile of the community

Item 7: Design and Install a Static Historical Display Rotunda

Recommended That:

This item be retained on the Concept Plan and advice for its location and funding be sought from appropriate sources eg SA Historical Society.

Item 8: Provide a Flight of Stairs from Cliff top Active Road to Boat Ramp

Recommended That:

This item be retained and seek funding for reasons of fire, safety, and quick access to boat ramp

Item 9: Upgrade all Graded Dirt Roads with proper grades and Spray Seal with Gravel Surface.

Recommended That:

This item be retained for further discussion with DCYP

Item 12: Investigate and Develop an Action Plan to provide Safe, All Weather Launching and Retrieving Area to Boat Ramp

Recommended That:

This item be retained and that more specificity of achievable requirements be obtained through consultation with the anglers within the community

Item 15: Enlarge and Improve the Existing Boat Trailer Area with a graded spray sealed with gravel/and lines

Recommended That:

This item be retained and be pursued

Item 17: Provide and Install Large Community Notice Board adjacent to the Public Phone Box

Recommended That:

This item be retained and that the Notice Board and Township Map be pursued with a higher priority.

Item 18: Limit Future Development to within Existing Township Boundary

Recommended That:

This item be retained but clarification be obtained re the feasibility of this item given that town boundaries can change with land development and policy alterations

Item 19: (See Item 1)

Item 20: No Development to Foreshore land other than walking trails etc

Recommended That:

This item be retained but clarification and definition be sought re what constitutes the foreshore (Comment was made re the northern car park “development” ... is this not foreshore?)

Item 21: Maintain and repair Jetty and Shed

Recommended That:

This item be retained but add “through DCYP funding and assistance” because it is not feasible for the PJPA to assume this responsibility of its own volition.

Items 23 and 25: (See Item 1)

SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

1. **Educational Packages for New Owners**

2. **Recommended That:**

This item be added to Concept Plan and that an appropriate package be developed and be personally

delivered to new and existing residents.

3. **Extension of Concept Plan**
4. **Not recommended:** as the Concept Plan is perceived as a whole of township document
5. **Higher Priority for Item 8** (ie The Flight of Stairs leading to the boat ramp)
6. **Removal and Repositioning of Poles on Boat Ramp**
7. **Provision of Pontoons for Boat Launching and Retrieval**
8. See Item 12 above re recommendations for Submissions 3,4 and 5 concerning the boat ramp.

OTHER SUGGESTIONS

1. **Beach Shelter replacing the Existing Structure**
2. **Beach Shelter adjacent to Northern Steps on Mill Beach**

Recommended That:

A Beach shelter (as in Port Vincent) be erected to replace the existing one north of the Red Shed and another erected adjacent to the Northern steps on Mill Beach and that this item be added to the Concept Plan

3. **Pergola on Hall**

Recommended That:

That this item be added to the Concept Plan after checking its feasibility because of possible septic system and drainage.

4. **Revamping of Entrance to Port Julia**

Recommended That:

Advice and funding be sought with regard to the rebuilding of the current sleeper enclosed area at the intersection of Julia and Active Roads and that this item be added to the Concept Pla

5. **Management Plan for Camping Area Development**

Recommended That:

A Management Plan be developed to include an increase in PJPA leasehold for 10-15 years to protect our assets: landscaping using Trees for Life sources and volunteers, the provision of additional toilets as required and an automated watering system using bore water.

It is further recommended that this item be added to to the Concept Plan





UPDATED MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR BLUE SWIMMER CRABS

Gulf St Vincent fishery remains at a low level

Commercial and recreational blue swimmer crab fishing arrangements have been reviewed and updated for the upcoming 2014-15 season to ensure the sustainability of the fishery.

The 2012-13 Blue Crab fishery stock assessment report recently published by the South Australian Research and Development Institute (SARDI) Aquatic Sciences, shows that while the Spencer Gulf fishery is in a strong position the Gulf St Vincent fishery remains at a low level.

The abundance of juvenile and legal size crabs remaining below the acceptable limit set out in the fishery's management plan triggered a review of the total allowable commercial catch for the upcoming season.

The TACC for Gulf St Vincent would remain at the reduced level of 196 tonnes for the 2014-15 season, representing a 20 per cent reduction in the baseline TACC. The TACC for the Spencer Gulf Blue Crab Fishery will also remain unchanged at 381 tonnes.

Recreational fishing limits for blue swimmer crab will also be maintained at the same reduced level of an individual bag limit of 20 and a daily boat limit of 60 in Gulf St Vincent waters during the 2014-15 season. For all other South Australian waters the recreational blue swimmer crab limit will remain at a daily bag limit of 40 and a daily boat limit of 120.

PIRSA Fisheries and Aquaculture will review these arrangements after the 2014-15 recreational fishing season when it received updated stock assessments for the fishery.

Summary: in our Gulf : 20 Blue Swimmers per person, 60 is the boat limit for Blue Swimmers.

http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/fisheries/recreational_fishing/fishing_limits/species/marine/blue_crab

PJ Progress Assoc. Membership Renewal for 2014/2015

Subscriptions are due for the new Financial Year.

Please remit to: Treasurer, PJPA, RSD 20, Port Julia, SA 5575 or

Bank Transfer: (*Noting your name on the transfer*)

BankSA: BSB 105-064 Account: 260248340

Name:Postal Address:.....

Port Julia Address:.....Phone Number.....

Email address:..... Sub: (\$10 single, \$20 family)

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