



Penzance Tuna Bays Newsletter

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IMPORTANT INFO:

The Epi-pen has been moved. It is now located at Mike and Juliet Neale's home 3220 Archers Road. Under their front balcony look for the Red Cross tin.

A big thank you to Geoff and Marg Allison for looking after it all this time.

Welcome to another PENZANCE TUNA BAYS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION Newsletter

We would like to welcome new residents to the bay and hope you will enjoy your time here. We say goodbye to another valued couple of our community Geoff and Marg Allison.

Geoff and Marg have lived in Penzance for a long while and have kept themselves very busy looking after many properties, road side berms and public access ways. Geoff has been the property owners association water custodian and made sure everyone has a continued supply of water. They will be missed a great deal.

We are having an afternoon tea farewell for Geoff and Marg on 19th August 2pm at 5 Worlds End Road (Jeanette & Mike Mahers home) All welcome please bring a plate.

Wow, it's been a good winter this year but the fire is still needed for most of us as it's our main heating source. Make sure you dispose of your ashes carefully as we have no fire fighting equipment in our bay. It's best to put them into a metal container for at least a week or more to cool down away from any buildings.

Kokako

Have you seen or heard the Kokako. There's a reward if you have. There is more information and pictures on the notice board by the jetty.

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Penzance Tuna Bays water supply update

As users of the Penzance and Tuna Bay Property Association water supply will know, the legislation on drinking water standards has imposed new obligations on owners of small community water schemes like ours. The first requirement is the preparation of a Water Safety Plan.

The purpose of this Water Safety Plan is to ensure the continued provision of a reliable and safe drinking water supply for the Penzance and Tuna Bay community users and visitors. The improvements identified will reduce the risk of adverse health outcomes associated with poor drinking water quality. Our first draft of the Water Safety Plan was rejected by the District Health Board, in part because it lacked evidence of sample water quality testing by a Government-approved testing laboratory. Therefore over the past year we have taken monthly water samples and had them tested by the Cawthron Institute in Nelson.

Despite the general historical perception that our water is suitable for drinking without treatment, the tests have revealed some microbiological contamination, including the presence of E.coli at levels above that permitted by the Drinking Water Standard. The Association believes that in fact it is inevitable that a natural catchment inhabited by birds, possums, deer etc will yield water which cannot comply with the stringent set standard without some

form of treatment.

It is incumbent on the Association to take all practicable and reasonable measures to ensure the health and well-being of those who use its water supply. As a first step, last year all properties connected to the supply were provided with a sign to be displayed, recommending that drinking water should be boiled. Subsequently, signs have been installed beside taps on the jetty, at the boat wash area on the public toilet building, on the public tap at the Betty Archer Memorial Reserve and on the water supply level board as you enter the bay.

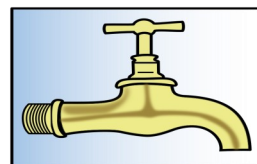
At the urging of the District Health Board, over the past few months the Association has commenced investigating what additional measures may be needed to meet, or as near as reasonably possible meet the requirements of the legislation. Immediate and low-cost measures include more systematic cleaning of the community supply storage tanks, encouraging users to be vigilant in flushing their own filters at their storage tanks, and to keep their tanks clean.

A larger expense item now under investigation is a bypass valve which can be automatically triggered by high turbidity in the stream and will close off the in feed to the storage tanks, diverting dirty water back to the stream. The Cawthron tests have revealed that there are higher levels of E.coli in samples taken during or following heavy rainfall.

The committee is hopeful that quarterly sample tests following this installation will show reduced E.coli levels, and, together with a rigorous approach to systems maintenance and the measures taken to warn users about the potential risk from an untreated supply, (ie boil drinking water), will be judged as sufficient by the DHB Drinking Water Assessor. However it may not, and it is possible that the Association will be faced with having to install a sand filter and UV treatment system within the foreseeable future.

The amended Water Safety Plan is nearing readiness for re-consideration by the DHB. Meanwhile the committee will issue all users with a guide sheet to safe water supply, and would ask that any incidents of illness due to water use be reported to the Secretary.

Please remember we have a recommended boil water notice in place in the bay.



I'd like to thank Ian Jack for all his time and effort in writing the Water Safety Plan for the community.

Pumpkin Day April 2017

Another fun and successful day with a good turn out and good weather.

Duncan Bay were the overall winners this year. Karen Wilks (Duncan Bay) won heaviest and ugliest. Clare Ballinger (Duncan Bay) won smallest and best dressed. Jesee Baikie (Duncan Bay) won children's fastest down hill. Robert Fulton (Duncan Bay) won adult fastest down hill and Irene Humphries (Penzance) won tastiest dish.

A big thank you to the Judges on the day

Nick Hassan (Duncan Bay) and Laurence Trott (Penzance)

Thanks to the Penzance crew for organizing another successful day.



Penzance & Tuna Bay Property Owners Association

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Notice of Annual General Meeting

When: Sunday 21st October 2017

Time: 4:00 PM

Place: Beryl & Johns home 3138 Archers Road
Followed by happy hour.

See below for committee member nomination forms.

The committee meets approx 4 times per year and welcomes new members to keep the balance of representation for our local community.

**The Penzance Tuna Bay Property Owners
Association Inc**

Nomination Form

I wish to nominate _____

for the position of _____

MOVER _____

SECONDER _____

Signature of Nominee _____

***Please use these forms for nominations
to committee and send to or put in my letterbox:***

***Lesley Davies
16 Worlds End Road
RD 5 Rai Valley 7195***

Prior the meeting on 21st October 2017

or –

***bring completed forms
with you to the meeting***

General election time again.

The mobile van will be in Penzance again to take our votes for the general election being held this September. The Van will be down in the car park near the jetty on **Tuesday 12 September from 10.30am to 1.00pm**

ANZAC DAY

We had a good turnout for ANZAC day again this year. The service ran smoothly with Jenny Archer officiating and the weather was kind. The service was very moving with Beryl and John's granddaughter Gemma Hebbard singing "The last Anzac" by Michael Travers. After the dedication we played "Beautiful Solider" by Marion Burns which is a very true and heart-rendering song which makes us all realize how many young men and women have been lost in wars.

The usual hand-made wreaths were laid by the big stump. Tea, coffee and Anzac biscuits to finish the morning off went down a treat.

Thanks to Beryl and Jane for organising another great service.



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If you would like to be added to the grapevine contact Lesley on email above.

The grapevine is used to:

buy/sell items

Advertise trades people coming to the bay so we can all benefit

Advertise community events or other events of interest in the Marlborough area.

Some of you might be aware we have had a Whale visiting in Tennyson Inlet over the last couple of months. DOC think it is a Bryde Whale and have requested set nets and long lines should not be set please. Notices have been placed in the bay. Update: The whale may have gone it has not been seen for a couple of weeks.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Hi Everyone, The Pelorus People website has now gone live and can be viewed at www.peloruspeople.org.nz

Go to sub sites, information on Penzance Tuna Bays Property Owners Association is located on this web page together with other community interest groups/trusts

Update:

Penzance Tuna Bays Property Owners Assn (PTBPOA) charitable trust application is in for consideration and we should be able to give news of this at the next AGM in October 2017.

A compendium is being created by PTBPOA for every household with community information in it such as emergency and civil defence information, where to dump rubbish, walks in the area, clubs, trusts special interest groups and information about the property owners association, bays water schemes.

We recently had a CPR course for the locals and are planning another one in the summer for any one wanting to attend for a small charge.

After the course some community members decided they wanted to fund raise for a defibrillator in the bay. If you would like to donate to this cause please email Lesley Davies with your pledged amount to

davies@kinect.co.nz.

All funds collected will be deposited into a dedicated bank account. Funds not used for the purchase will sit in the account and go towards maintenance, replacement of parts, and insurance.

