

NEWSLETTER MARCH 2015

Dennes Point Heritage Trail

The Dennes Point Heritage Trail, centered around the Jetty Beach area, is progressing well. With a grant of \$5,000 from Kingborough Council and \$4,000 from Bruny Island Community Association the following reports have been commissioned and are nearing completion:

- Archeological report for the area especially the Elizabeth Farm area
- Aboriginal cultural values report
- Geological report especially around the primary sand dune; and,
- Surveyors report on selected boundaries.

The preliminary reports have revealed a rich and varied history that will be hard to contain within the 14 panels the Sub Committee envisages! Gerry McAfee is coordinating the project for FONB.

Erosion of Bank on Nebraska Road, Cars on the Beach and the Concept of a Lookout at Bull Bay

FONB met on site with the Kingborough Council to discuss the sea erosion of the bank adjacent to Nebraska Rd (Community Centre end) and agreed the need for urgent attention. Also raised at the meeting were safety issues around vehicles using the beach and boat ramp as well as the concept of the lookout proposed for Bull Bay.

North Bruny/Dennes Point Masterplan

Over 50 people attended a session run by the Kingborough Council last Novemeber. This was a first step to developing a masterplan for North Bruny.

Draft notes have been circulated to the Executive Group which Kingborough Council has indicated will be circulated shortly to all attendees. Kingborough Council will then advise next steps in the process.

Bruny Island Biosphere

FONB are taking the first tentative steps towards the concept of Bruny Island as a Biosphere. In summary, this is a longterm initiative around sustainable development of Bruny Island and led by the community. More information is available on the noticeboard in the café or by emailing Alex Matysek who is taking the lead on this project.

Kingborough Council Consultative Committee (KCCC)

FONB is entitled to have two representatives on KCCC. Gerry McAfee and Wietske Loef are our representatives. Wietske will be attending the first meeting of the year on 7 March.

Ensuring all across North Bruny are aware of FONB and its role

We are currently producing a flyer to raise awareness of FONB and encourage membership. The flyer will be put into letterboxes across North Bruny as well as on the notice board at the café. Please encourage anyone you know from North Bruny to join us so we can ensure a breath of opinion in any deliberations we make about North Bruny.

FONB Executive 2015

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Meetings

The Management Committee held its first meeting on 19 January and has pencilled in 27 April and 31 August and the AGM on 4 October 2015.

Subscriptions for 2015

By now you should have paid your 2015 FONB subscription. For those that have not and time is running out fast, subs remain at current levels, that is, \$15 for individuals, \$25 for a family and \$5 discount for Centrelink Card holders.

If you have any issues that you want FONB to consider please contact one of the Executive Group!