



NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2016

North Bruny Strategic Management Plan

On behalf of the Executive I am pleased to circulate the final version of the **North Bruny Background and Future Directions Plan**.

Whilst the Plan has taken quite a long time to come to fruition it is great to have a final version. Hopefully the Plan reflects as best it can all of the views expressed and it is now a clear statement of priorities and actions. As well it provides a lot of useful background information of which there have been differing views over how best to present it! As with any plan, it is the discussion and debate that is as productive as the document itself and, in the end, the action that follows is the ultimate test!

In this context we have written to thank Kingborough Council for facilitating the development of the Plan and in particular the contribution that Kristine Ancher made in bringing the Plan to fruition.

In many senses the Plan has taken time to develop as the scale of task was recognised and various issues evolved. Additionally, the impact of significant increase in tourism numbers during this time has driven broader community concern about planning for the island as a whole. It is pleasing that there is now support from both Kingborough Council and the Premier to help support the development of such a plan for our island. It is in the context that FONB has put to Kingborough Council *'that the **North Bruny Background and Future Directions Plan** be considered a working document pending the development of the Bruny Island Plan. It is envisaged that the issues raised within the North Bruny Plan will become part of the plan for the Island. However, should the Bruny Island Plan not eventuate then the Committee will come back to Council to formalise the **North Bruny Background and Future Directions Plan**'.*

Bruny Island Plan

Further to Bruny Island Community Association (BICA), Bruny Island Environment Network (BIEN), Bruny Island Primary Industries Group and the Bruny Island Advisory Committee (BIAC) and FONB agreeing on the need for a Plan for Bruny Island, Kingborough Council has given in principle support as has the Premier. Let's hope 2017 will see the development of an island-wide plan for Bruny that is community driven in concert with the state government and the Kingborough Council!

Dennes Point Fair

The FONB Book Stall raised \$155! Thanks to Lynne and Garth Pope for organising and running the stall on the day as well as enthusing others to purchase!

Dennes Point Heritage Trail

Our application to Huon Aquaculture was successful....\$3,000 towards the Heritage Trail Project - well done Gerry!

Dennes Point Land and Coastcare

Next working bee is 7 January 2017! Details later.

Waterway Health and Fish Farms

We received a number of comments during the consultation on the North Bruny Plan to expand our plan to include the waterways. As a result and in an effort to become more informed, we will be inviting Huon Aquaculture and Environment Tasmania to speak to a FONB general meeting in February next year. Our particular focus will be on fish farming with particular reference to plans for the 'Storm Bay off Trumpeter Bay off North Bruny Island Plan'.

Destination Action Plan

The final version of the Destination Action Plan, or DAP, is attached for your information.

FONB Management Committee Vacancy

We have one general position on the Committee to fill and are very keen to get someone from outside of Dennes Point....please consider!

As always, please contact any of your elected members if there are issues or ideas you want to raise.

Finally, it has been a big year with much achieved! Best wishes for the festive season and enjoy all that is wonderful about being on Bruny.

Siobhan Gaskell
Secretary FONB