

Yorkeys Knob Matters

President's Report

Hello and welcome to the March newsletter.

Our last monthly meeting was a healthy mix of issues in our community. The former president, Maurice had sought clarification on a range of issues that were tabled and responses given, with further invitation for discussion. Our guest speaker was local resident Dr Michael Powell who gave a PowerPoint presentation on observations relating to the proposed Yorkeys Knob Boat Ramp.

A date has been set for the 2020 *Festival of the Knob*. This event has been popular over many years and there is a desire for it to continue. A request was made for interested people to form an organizing committee. For the event to occur, it requires an organizing committee to pull everything together. Additionally, planning must consider the effects of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Pandemic as it relates to large public gatherings. The festival is supported by the YKRA committee but as a community event, needs community input. If you'd be interested to take part in organizing this year's *Festival of the Knob*, please drop an email to residents@yorkeysknob.com or advise at the March meeting.

On the issue of COVID-19 (Coronavirus), in line with convention throughout the broader community, we ask that if you are showing cold or flu like symptoms, please refrain from attending meetings. If you have an issue you would like to raise, I would be very happy to take correspondence and raise it on your behalf while you recover.

Looking forward to seeing you at our monthly meeting.

NEXT YKRA MEETING 7.30pm TUESDAY 31ST MARCH, 2020.

Adrian Gover

President, Yorkeys Knob Residents Association



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Children's holiday activity

YORKEYS KNOB BOATING CLUB

The Yorkeys Knob Boating Club is looking to prepare another school holiday children's sailing course. The Sailing Australia approved course known as "Tackers" will introduce children to the basic skills required with sailing. This is a great activity for young people and may introduce them to a lifetime of pleasure on the water.

For more information, contact the boat club on 4055 7711 or email to marina@ykbc.com.au



Staying healthy this flu season

With the spread of Coronavirus and cold and flu season at our doorstep, it's never been a better time to stay healthy and look after yourself.

- Healthy food and regular exercise goes a long way in keeping us healthy which can help our immune system fight off illness.
- Supplements such as Vitamin C, Echinacea, Elderberry and garlic can keep our immune system working well.
- Regular hand washing to stop the spread of germs!
- Speak to your GP about getting your flu injection about to become available.
- Covering your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick (allow 1 metre space)

If you would like more information about tips to stay healthy, come in and speak to Rowena, Jacqui or any of our friendly team.

Police Beat

A couple of items of interest to report on this month.

Five juveniles have been located and dealt with under the provisions of the Youth Justice Act along with one 18 year old who has been charged as a result of two break and enters in Rutherford St on the 27th February where vehicles were stolen and subsequently used in the commission of other offences.

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An adult male was charged with Unlawful use of a motor vehicle following the theft of a car from Atherton St between the 8th and 26th February.

A 30 yo man was charged with common assault following an altercation in a Varley St shop on St Valentines Day. The offender and victim were know to each other.

Police are investigating the damage of plants and theft of a Weber bbq from a Ruth-erford St courtyard that occurred on the 16th February.

A 51 yo man has been charged with driving whilst under the influence of liquor and failing to comply with duties of driver involved in a crash following a vehicle crash into the front of a Varley St shop on the 24th February.

A portable fridge has been reported stolen from the rear of a Hilux utility in Deau-ville Cl around the 7th March.

If you can provide any further information in relation to these matters, contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000

Senior Constable Mathew Rohde
Yorkeys Knob Police Beat

Notes from our Vet

CANE TOADS

The Cane Toad, (*Rhinella marina*), a little creature we love to hate and a very com-mon animal in Northern Australia. This introduced species is growing rapidly in population size and distribution in Australia, causing havoc with our delicate eco-system.

With wet season fast approaching, at some point, it is highly likely that your pets will encounter these amphibian intruders and possibly be affected by the toxin they secrete. This toad species has parotid glands on their dorsum (back), just behind the head that release toxic substances when the toad feels threatened. Your pet may lick or eat a toad, allowing the toxin to absorbed through the oral mucous membranes (gums) and via the stomach. If this does occur, the effects of the toxin are rapid in onset.

Signs your pet has been affected by toad toxicity include foaming from the mouth, brick red gums, vomiting, panting, anxiety/shaking, ataxia (wobbly walking), col-lapse and seizures.

We advise wiping the mouth out with a wet cloth repeatedly and to seek immedi-ate veterinary assistance. Please DO NOT hose your pets mouth as water may enter the lungs during the process.

If you have any questions about toad toxicity or suspect your pet has been affect-ed by toad toxin, please call us on 4057 8677.

From the Beachside team



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Yorkeys Primary Care Centre News



Yorkeys Primary Care Centre is focused on delivering the highest quality primary health care to our local community and are pleased to announce that Margaret Stewart, Nurse Practitioner will be joining Dr Baker and the team from 30 March.

Margaret specialises in Women's Health, Contraception—including Implanon insertion and removal, Cervical screening and child health assessments and immunisations. She is available for appointments on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

As an experienced, caring and skilled Nurse Practitioner, Margaret can assess, manage and guide you through your health journey, including direct referral to other health professionals, diagnosing and treating conditions, prescribing medications and ordering diagnostic investigations as needed.

Dr Baker and Margaret feel privileged to serve your health needs and will work together to deliver the best possible health care to you, and our wider community.

Appointments can be made by calling our friendly staff on 4220 9884 or our website ypcc.com.au

Cairns Regional Council meeting 11th March

The Cairns Regional Council met for its scheduled meeting on Wednesday the 11th of March at the Cairns chambers. A motion was tabled concerning the proposed Yorkeys Knob Boat Ramps. It is as follows:

GENERAL BUSINESS 1. YORKEYS KNOB BOAT RAMP, RICHARDSON / OLDS

That Council write to the Minister of Transport and Main Roads Honourable Mark Bailey MP regarding inquiries that Council continues to receive about the proposed Yorkeys Knob Boat Ramp and request feedback on the following items that have been raised by community members:

- The suitability of the number of car parks that are proposed to be provided for the 6 lane boat ramp
- How security for the Yorkeys Knob Marina will be achieved given the close proximity of the proposed new ramp to the marina
- What traffic impacts are likely in Yorkeys Knob with the proposed development
- Whether the facility could be expanded in the future when demand requires
- If the facility cannot be expanded, what are TMR's plans for additional boat ramp facilities north of the Cairns CBD?

carried unanimously

YKRA looks forward to the advice relating to our community.

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