

## **Council News**

#### **Mayors Column**

#### **Plastic Bags**

The Tasmanian State Government has recently introduced plastic bag legislation. From 1 November all retailers in Tasmania can no longer supply customers with non-biodegradable, lightweight plastic shopping bags, to carry or transport goods purchased from the retailer.

A plastic bag ban awareness campaign is being run throughout the year to support and inform all retailers and encouraging shoppers to remember their reusable bags. Councils have been requested to assist with the promotion of the legislation but have no jurisdiction over it or responsibility in enforcing the legislation.

The website for more information is - www.plasticbags.tas.gov.au

#### **Budget Estimates**

Council will consider the 2013-14 Fees and Charges, Budget Estimates, Rates and Waste Charges and the Annual Plan at the July Meeting.

#### **Quarterly Reporting**

Council now operates a quarterly reporting process and the reports from each Department for the quarter ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013 can be found in the Agenda for the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> July.

Some points from the reports are:

 Works to establish the Lady Barron tip site as a 'Transfer Station' are aimed to commence within the next half year.
 Recycling initiatives are being introduced with colour coded bins for glass and aluminium cans in place at the Whitemark Tip and Killiecrankie transfer station.

- Four building permits were issued involving 2 new houses, a house extension a carport and a garage and five development applications were approved.
- Amendments to the Regional Land Use Strategy (Northern Tasmania) have been integrated to show differentiations between the Furneaux Group and the remainder of the region to enable recognition of the Rural Living are in the Draft Interim Planning Scheme thus enabling progress on its submission to the Tasmanian Planning Commission.
- NRM North are nominating the orchard enclosure at the school for a Junior Landcare Award.
- Passenger numbers (one way) for April & May 2013 increased by 1200 over the same time the previous year.
- Council supports the Transition Program through identifying and coordination of local employees to host Newstead College Work experience students as part of the Transition Partnership for Flinders students to make contacts with Newstead students.
- Marshall Bay (Castle Rock) access road is close to being completed with major earthworks finalized in 2013/14. Gravel sheeting is all that is required to complete the task but has been delayed due to wet weather.
- These are but a few snippets from the reports that can be found at: www.flinders.tas.gov.au/agendas



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or a hard copy received form the Council Office on request.

The Policies, agendas, Minutes and much more information can be found at: www.flinders.tas.gov.au

Carol Cox

Mayor

#### Flinders Council Citizens Awards

Nomination forms are available from the Council Office and on the Council website for people wishing to nominate an individual for a Flinders Council Citizens Award. Awards will be presented at the Flinders Island Show on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2013.

Please submit your nomination to the Council Office by C.O.B **30 August 2013**.

Guidelines are as follows:

The following guidelines are to be used when consideration is given to Citizen Awards.

- 1. The awards will be given to persons who have made a significant contribution to the Furneaux region.
- 2. The nominees need not be residents of the Furneaux region.
- 3. The emphasis should be on voluntary contributions.
- 4. In all cases the contribution made should be for the benefit of the community
- 5. A person can receive only one Citizen Award during his/her lifetime.

- 6. When reaching a decision the committee should give consideration to the quality of the contribution.
- 7. Nominated applicants should be over sixteen (16) years of age as at the first day of July in the year of the nomination.
- 8. No more than five awards will be given in any one year.

Raoul Harper

**General Manager** 

#### **Community Development**

What's coming up in Community Development?

#### Community Plant a Tree Day

Parks & Wildlife Services and Landcare have teamed up for a community plant a tree day on the Bluff Track with support from Council and NRM North. Everyone is welcome and if you would like to lend a hand you must be a member of the Furneaux land care for public liability cover. Annual memberships can be bought on the day for \$5. For more information, please contact us.

When? Sunday 28 July 10am - 1:00pm

#### Flinders Island Film Festival

Flinders Council is proud to support the Flinders branch of Tasmanian Regional Arts Film Festival. The event will be held on August 2nd 2013 at the Flinders Arts & Entertainment Centre in Whitemark to showcase our Island made films. This still gives you plenty of time to get some people together, get creative & make a film. For more information, please visit the website flindersflicks.com, or contact Council.

#### Calling all Artists!

Expressions of interest are sought from contemporary artist/s for artworks for the Flinders Island Multipurpose Centre. The commission opportunity has three parts; applications can be made for individual parts



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or the whole commission (if appropriate). For more information or to find all the necessary documents, please visit the Arts Tasmania website:

http://www.arts.tas.gov.au/artsatwork/public \_art/commissions/a-450-2010

#### **Emita Hall**

Thank you to all who have put their hands up to help with the Emita Hall upgrade! It is great to see so many community members willing to donate their time to this project. If you would like to help, please put your name down on the register at Bowmans, or at the Council Office.

#### Online Community Calendar

Do you have a community event that you would like to add to our online Community Calendar? It's easy! Please visit the Council website <a href="www.flinders.tas.gov.au/calendar/">www.flinders.tas.gov.au/calendar/</a> to download the forms or alternatively, please pop into Council for a hard copy.

There are currently a variety grants available that may be applicable to local community groups and organisations. Below are a list of the grants and their links for you to have a look at. If you have an idea or project we suggest you contact the funding body to discuss your eliqibility and application.

#### 1. Aboriginal Benefits Foundation

http://www.aboriginal.org.au/grants.htm Grant Applications are considered by the board of the foundation at each directors meeting. The board currently meets approximately 6-8 times per year.

## 2. Tasmanian Community Fund: Grant Round 27

Grant Round 27 of the Tasmanian Community Fund will open on 24 August 2013.

Applications for small grants (up to \$10,000) will close on 2 October 2013. Applications for medium grants (\$10,001 to \$90,000) will close on 16 October 2013. Round 27 Guidelines and application forms are not yet available but it's time to start thinking about your application.

### 3. The Small Grants for Small Rural Communities

The program will offer up to \$400,000 per round in grants up to \$5,000 for projects and activities that offer clear public benefit for communities, with populations of 10,000 or less, living in small rural and remote communities. Round 24 will open on 1st August 2013.

http://www.frrr.org.au

### 4. Emerging Tasmanian artists can apply for the \$12 000 Mona Scholarship Prize

The money is used to buy materials and equipment for an exhibition held at Mona, 12 months after receiving the Scholarship. The application form is available from the Mona website. **Applications close Friday 23 August 2013**. For further information visit the website or email: <a href="mailto:lindy@mona.net.au">lindy@mona.net.au</a>

## 5. 2013 Tourism Industry Regional Development Fund (TIRF) Grants

The competitive merit-based TIRF Grants
Program offers grants from \$50,000—
\$250,000 (GST exclusive) on a matched
dollar-for-dollar funding basis, to assist
tourism operators increase the quality and
range of visitor experiences in regional
Australia. Online applications close at
11.59pm AEST on Wednesday 7 August 2013.
Outcomes are expected to be advised in
October 2013. For more information go to
www.ret.gov.au

#### 6. The Medibank Active Tasmania Awards

The awards acknowledge the important role local government, schools and community groups play in promoting and facilitating physical activity across Tasmania. They also recognise the innovation and creativity of communities in promoting the benefits of physical activity and creating communities that are active and healthy. Nominate your initiative in the 2013 Medibank Active Tasmania Awards by Friday, 9August. Go to www.getmoving.tas.gov.au

You can also subscribe to a grant alert list to receive emailing notifications by emailing:

- 1. cdgrants@dpac.tas.gov.au or
- 2. healthpromotion.north@dhhs.tas.gov.au



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Alternatively check out grants information online, here are some suggestions:

<u>1. www.australia.gov.au/directories/australia/regional/web-resources-list</u>

<u>2.www.business.gov.au/Grantfinder/Grantfinder.aspx</u>

Dolly Wheatley & Jana Harper
Community Development Officers

# FLINDERS COUNCIL ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the next Ordinary Meeting of Flinders Council will be held at the Flinders Island Art and Entertainment Centre, Whitemark, Flinders Island on:

## Thursday 15th August 2013, commencing at 1:00pm.

The Agenda will be available for perusal on our Council Website <a href="www.flinders.tas.gov.au">www.flinders.tas.gov.au</a> or at the Council Office as from Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2013.

Public Question Time will be held between 1.00pm – 1.30pm.

Raoul Harper General Manager

## DOG REGISTRATION FEES 2013/2014

Under the provisions of Section 205 of the Local Government Act 1993 Council adopt the following fees and charges for animal control for the 2013/2014 financial year, commencing 1 July 2013. Registration fees for 2013/2014 are as follows:

	Paid Before	Paid After
	31 July 2013	31 July 2013
Sterilised Dog	\$15.00	\$20.00
Non Sterilised Dog	\$20.00	\$25.00
Working Dog	\$13.00	\$18.00
Guide/Hearing Dog	Nil	Nil
Dangerous Dog	\$100.00	\$125.00
Seizure Fee For An Impounded Dog	\$60.00	\$60.00
Daily Fee For Impounded Dog	\$25.00	\$25.00
New Kennel Licence Application	\$45.00	\$45.00
Kennel Licence – Annual Renewal	\$25.00	\$25.00
Replacement Tag	5.00	5.00
Transferred Registration	Nil	Nil
First Registration		Pro rata

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#### Whitemark Tip

Opening Hours
MON, FRI & SUN 1.30PM- 4.30PM
WED 8.30AM- 11.30AM
CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAYS



## Furneaux Shipping & Aviation Committee Submissions

Members of the public are invited to attend.

The public are requested to prepare submissions for consideration by the Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee or the Furneaux Group Aviation Special Committee.

Please lodge submissions with Council by close of business **Wednesday** 31<sup>st</sup> **July 2013**.