



Welcome to 2024! Feels like we're already halfway through the year, doesn't it? Especially for those with kids at home.

It's the 10th Furneaux Islands Festival, and we've got a ripper lineup of entertainment this weekend. Friday night kicks off with music under the stars at the "Twilight Market" featuring The Flinders Singers, our local legend Tom Ambroz, along with visiting musos David Hyams and the Rose Parker Trio. But that's not the end of it – Freyja Wild from ROOKE will be doing a Hula Hoop performance, Tom Slater will bring the fire, and the Supersillyus Circus will add an extra layer of excitement to the night. Add some top-notch tucker, and you've got yourself a great way to spend a Flinders Island evening.

On Saturday, we've got Park Run, The Growers and Makers Market, The White Shack Jam, and Music at the Tav with Neil Murray, Arron Worker and Dale Huddleston. And if you're feeling a bit tired, there are a few spare hours for a sneaky snooze.

Sunday is the ever-popular community barbecue at FIAAI in Lady Barron (from 11am). We've got all the visiting muso's and other entertainment to keep both ankle-biters and grown-ups occupied. Don't forget to check out the Islander Portrait Prize at Lady Barron Hall, open from 10am to 3pm until Sunday 21st – cast your vote for the People's Choice Award.

The Islander Portrait Prize was officially opened on the 14th January and the following prizes awarded:

Congratulations to all who contributed to a fabulous show!

WINNERS:

Major Prize: Jana Monnone - Blue Rocks
Bill "Life's a Grin"

Highly Commended: Kat Hopkins - I-Land
(Self Portrait)

Packing Room Prizes:

Joanna Lang- Peter Nevin "The Generosity"
Heidi Schoenheimer - Chef Mikey
Carita Henriksson - Kim

Junior Encouragement Award:
Maddie Donnellan: Bestie

The Furneaux Ark Project - I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who wrote a letter of support for the Vet Clinic project currently being assessed for a Growing Regions grant. Evidence of community support is vital to secure funding, and it shows that a multi-faceted clinic is what our community wants (and needs).

There is a proposal currently out for comment regarding the construction of wind turbines in Bass Strait. The area goes from Devonport to Bridport and as far north as Whitemark. Submissions can be made through <https://www.dcceew.gov.au/about/news/hys-offshore-wind-bass-strait> or by post to:

Hon Chris Bowen
Minister for Climate Change and Energy
PO Box 6022
House of Representatives
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Further information can be found at the above internet address.

That's the lot for this fortnight. Hoping to catch you at the festival and wishing you a fabulous start to the year!

Rachel Summers
Mayor



KIDS *Holiday* PROGRAM

FRIDAY 19th JANUARY

Islander Portrait Prize

14-21 January

Portrait Exhibition

Lady Barron Hall

Friday Night Twilight Market

Whitemark Showgrounds

6:00pm – 10:00pm

Food & Live Music

SATURDAY 20th JANUARY

Saturday Morning Growers & Makers Market.

Downtown Whitemark

9am - 12pm

Arts / Crafts / Local Produce

Music at the Tav

Furneaux Tavern, Lady Barron

5:00pm till late

Food & Live Music

The White Shack Jam.

White Shack, Whitemark

12'ish

SUNDAY 21st JANUARY

Sunday Community Bbq Day.

FIAAI Park, West St, Lady Barron

Community BBQ Day

11am-3pm \$5 Per Person

Shorebirds & Beachcombing

INFORMATION: Join us for a Beachcombing & Shorebird adventure! Hunt for treasures, spot shorebirds, and soak up the giggles. It's a day of beachy fun and wild wonders!

There will be a transport from Whitemark available, limited spots so registrations are essential.

Children 7yrs and under will need to be accompanied by a Parent or Guardian

LOCATION: Camerons Inlet, Lackrana

<https://www.flinders.tas.gov.au/school-holiday-program>

19-21 JANUARY 2024

REFLECT SHARE CELEBRATE



JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE 10TH
FURNEAUX ISLANDS FESTIVAL

WHITEMARK TIP – OPENING HOURS

- Monday 1.30pm - 4.30pm
 - Tuesday 7am -10am
 - Wednesday 8.30am - 11.30am
 - Thursday 7am -10am
 - Friday 1.30pm - 4.30pm
 - Saturday CLOSED
 - Sunday 1.30pm - 4.30pm
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ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

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

**Wednesday 24 January 2024
commencing at 1pm.**

Public Question Time will be held between 1:00 – 1:30pm. Members of the public are invited to attend.

The Agenda will be available for perusal from Friday 19 January 2024 on the Council Website www.flinders.tas.gov.au and at the Council Office.

**Warren Groves
General Manager**



CALL FOR COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

Nominations from the public are called for the position of **Transport Sector Representative** on the **Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee of Council**.

The Committee consists of council and community representatives and exists to provide recommendations to Flinders Council on shipping matters, including port and associated infrastructure where it relates to shipping.

Nominations can be sent to:

**Governance
Flinders Council
PO Box 40, Whitemark TAS 7255**

Or via email to governance@flinders.tas.gov.au

The nomination period will remain open until Council receives sufficient nominations.

**Rachel Summers
Chair | Furneaux Group Shipping Special
Committee**



Making a choice to leave or stay when a bushfire threatens is too late. You and your loved ones' safety and survival during a bushfire will depend on how prepared you are, and the decisions you make. TFS recommends having a Bushfire Plan and sharing it with household members, neighbours and friends.

<https://www.fire.tas.gov.au/>



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

Lease of aircraft hangar

Flinders Council seeks expressions of interest regarding lease of an existing aircraft hangar on land known as the Flinders Island Airport, located at 351- 355 Palana Road, Whitemark.

The hangar is conveniently located airside of the terminal facility with a dedicated access to the site from Palana Road and lends itself to a variety of commercial or private aviation uses.

Further information and the information pack regarding the hangar can be obtained from Council's website:

www.flinders.tas.gov.au/tenders.

Any questions regarding this project can be made by contacting Richard Harley on 0448 953 514 or at richard.harley@flinders.tas.gov.au

Expressions, including offer of fees and intended use of building, must be marked "EOI – Hangar" and submitted to Council via email to: jacci.smith@flinders.tas.gov.au or mailed to PO Box 40, WHITEMARK TAS 7255 or delivered to Council's offices at 4 Davies Street in Whitemark by close of business on Monday, 22 January 2024.



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

Land purchase & development

Flinders Council seeks expressions of interest regarding the purchase and development of land at 7 Walker Street, Whitemark (PID 6427160).

The land is conveniently located within an ideal distance to the MPC and Whitemark facilities and lends itself to use and development associated with the need for housing to support the Community's ageing population.

Copies of the Information Memorandum regarding this project can be obtained from Council's website:

www.flinders.tas.gov.au/tenders

Any questions regarding this can be made by contacting Jacci Smith on 63 595 001 or emailing Jacci.smith@flinders.tas.gov.au

Expressions must include purchase offer amounts and associated development plans. They are to be marked "EOI – Land Purchase & Development" and submitted to Council via email to jacci.smith@flinders.tas.gov.au or mailed to PO Box 40, WHITEMARK TAS 7255 or delivered to Council's offices at 4 Davies Street in Whitemark by Monday 22 January 2024.



**FLINDERS
COUNCIL**

**POSITION VACANT
Works and Services Coordinator**

Flinders Council is seeking to appoint a highly motivated Works and Services Coordinator to join our team.

As the Works and Services Coordinator, you will provide invaluable practical and technical expertise to Council, particularly in areas such as roads and road-related infrastructure, asset management, waste management, and lead a dedicated team of hardworking Works and Services staff.

Candidates should possess previous leadership experience, ideally within the Local Government sector, strong communication skills, and the capacity for effective problem-solving.

This is a full-time, permanent position, and the salary package inclusive of work vehicle, on call and telephone allowance will be negotiated based on qualifications and experience, in accordance with the Flinders Council EBA.

For more information about the position, please visit our website at www.flinders.tas.gov.au or contact the Council directly at 6359 5001 to obtain the position description.

To apply, please submit your application addressing the knowledge, skills, and experience section outlined in the position description, along with a current resume.

Applications should be marked “**Confidential**” and forwarded to:

**Corporate Services Coordinator
Flinders Council
PO Box 40, Whitemark, TAS 7255
or via email to hr@flinders.tas.gov.au**



**FLINDERS
COUNCIL**

**POSITION VACANT
Receptionist**

Are you looking for a rewarding, community-focused administrative role, within a flexible and supportive workplace? Then this is the role for you.

Flinders Council is seeking a customer focused superstar to join our corporate team.

This position is responsible for providing a first point of contact between the community and Council, providing excellent customer service and administrative support.

This is a job share position, working 3 days a week. Council would consider a trainee for this role with full training provided.

A position description can be obtained by contacting Council on 6359 5001 or by visiting the Council website

www.flinders.tas.gov.au/employment-and-business-opportunities.

Applications must be received by close of business on **Friday the 19th January 2023** and include a current resume along with a written application that specifically addresses each of the 'Knowledge, Skills & Experience' criteria.

Applications should be marked “**Confidential**” and forwarded to:

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**Intention of Temporary Road Closures
during the Furneaux Islands Festival**

**Saturday 20th January 2024
8:00am – 1:00pm
Bowman St, Whitemark
(between Patrick St & Esplanade)**

Bowman Street, Whitemark will be temporarily closed to all traffic from Patrick St to the Esplanade from 8:00am to 1:00pm on Saturday 20 January for the Furneaux Islands Festival Market Day.

During the closure, traffic barriers and signage will be in place.

For any concerns on the above, please contact Richard Harley, Acting Infrastructure Manager on 0487 548 049



**Intention of Temporary Road Closures
during the Furneaux Islands Festival**

**Sunday 21st January 2024
10:00am – 4:00pm
(section of West St, outside FIAAI Building)**

A section of **West St, Lady Barron** (in front of Flinders Island Aboriginal Association and Lady Barron Hall) **will be temporarily closed to all traffic from 10:00am to 4:00pm on Sunday 21 January for the Community BBQ Day.**

During the closure, traffic barriers and signage will be in place.

For any concerns on the above, please contact Richard Harley, Acting Infrastructure Manager on 0487 548 049