



## PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION 2018

The Overall Winner of the competition is John Smith of Bicheno, with his image *"Diver Over Sponge Garden"* taken at Governor Island Marine Park, Bicheno (featured above).

The winner of the Mayor's Choice Award is *"Pelican Brief"*, Bicheno taken by Vera Kay.

Runners Up (in no particular order) are"-

- Emma Taylor, *"Early Rise"*, Millington Beach, Orford.
- Kirsty Pilkington, *"Cape Barren Goose"*, Maria Island.
- Jennie Reid, *"Julie's Place"*, Triabunna.
- Craig Seabourne, *"Swansea Waterfront"*, Swansea.
- Barbara Townsend, *"Seagulls at Cod Rock"*, Bicheno.
- Ian Ramsay, *"At the Gate"*, Swansea.
- Maurice Banks, *"Sunset Over Kelvedon Lagoon"*, Kelvedon.
- Maree Woolley, *"Layers"*, Spring Beach, Orford.
- David Read, *"Out of the Mist"*, Triabunna.
- Sonia Kubank, *"Welcoming Committee"*, Maclean Bay Wines, Bicheno.
- William Vagg, *"Timber Boat Shed Nestled on the Bank of Raspin's Beach"*, Orford.

Congratulations to the above photographers and our thanks and appreciation to everyone who entered the competition. The winning images will feature in the 2019 calendar.

Council also wishes to thank our judges, Terry Pinfold and Jan Perkins, who freely gave their time to undertake the difficult task of choosing the winning photographs.

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## GENERAL MANAGER'S UPDATE

Dear Community,  
For this edition, I'd like to share an update on projects, our financial position and general business.

**The Solis development** at Triabunna is delayed because of water being required for the golf course. However, some ground works and accommodation are expected to commence in the early part of 2019. There will be movement on site to do the first stage (88 lots) of the 606 allotment subdivision and 5 eco accommodation cabins.

Much work is occurring behind the scenes with the water project and the final submissions have been lodged with the Federal Government for the **Prosser Plains Raw Water Scheme**. As most of the community would be aware, Council has secured a water licence for the dam and also has secured the rights to some 3,000 ML of water from Hobbs Lagoon. This has enabled us to proceed with the tender, which has just closed, for the raw water pipeline. The results of that tender will be known shortly. As previously advised, this will take water from the existing Prosser River Dam, which will be replenished from Hobbs Lagoon, in the interim, and the other bigger Tea Tree Rivulet dam in the future, in combination with Hobbs Lagoon. Once the scheme is fully completed, we will have access to over 6,000 ML of water, which is double the size of the Swan Valley irrigation system.

Council will borrow the money to complete all these stages and the borrowings will be repaid in full by the customers of the scheme. There will also be 200 ML available to TasWater to stop any future water restrictions. This is a year's supply for Orford/Triabunna). There will be more news on this project as information comes to hand.

Again, I reiterate that any borrowings the Council has, or will have, are to fund income producing assets, which will not drain cash flows or available funds to fund new infrastructure or renewal of assets for normal Council business. These projects, in the long term, put downward pressure on rates and ensure your Council is sustainable into the future. Council has been advised by Treasury that borrowings of \$6 million for the financial year 2018/2019 have been approved.

This financial year Council has also been able to maintain its rating strategy with increases being around CPI and flat rating continuing, which over

the many years since introduction has been well accepted by the community, with little or no complaints received about our rating strategy.

Council has contracts on two (2) properties that have been for sale – the old **SES building in Swansea** and the old **Council Chambers in Triabunna**. The SES property will settle shortly, whilst the Triabunna property is subject to a planning scheme amendment. The State Government is also purchasing the land Council owned in **Harvey's Farm Road**. Once these properties settle this should provide a boost to Council's cash.

**Audited finances** at the end of the financial year showed yet again that Council is meeting its obligations when renewing its assets and targets set by the Auditor General, as well as producing another surplus of \$638K normal income, less normal expenses. The actual reported surplus is \$3,266K, which includes capital grants.

**Income** was 9.3% above budget for the financial year caused by the pre-payment of 50% of the Federal Assistance Grant received and prepaid prior to the 30th June 2018. Expenses were 1.6% above budget, with wage costs being 0.3% below budget. This is an excellent result when considering the budget is set in May 2017 and the many variables that can occur. It is also worth noting that Council expended \$5.3 million in new and renewal assets during the year.

Please remember that my door is always open for any questions or concerns you may have but please make an appointment and advise what you would like to discuss so I can make sure I have the correct information available.

DAVID METCALF  
GENERAL MANAGER



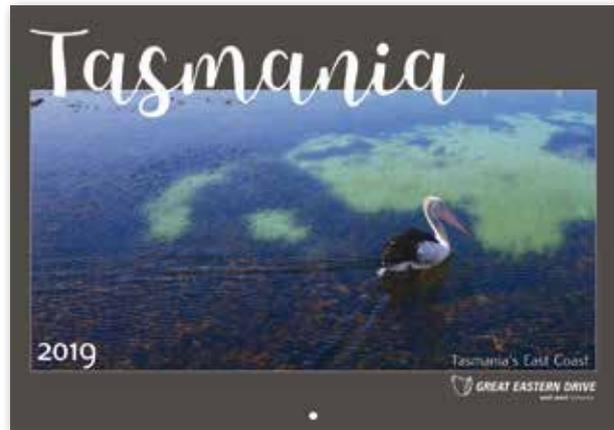
## 2019 CALENDAR

The calendar, which has been produced from the winning images entered in Council's photography competition, is now available for sale at \$10.

**All profits from the sale of the calendar are used to support youth projects and activities in our municipal area.**

The calendars make great Christmas gifts for family and friends, as well as being a great promotional tool for our beautiful area.

The calendars are available from the Council Offices, Triabunna, the Visitor Information Centres and various businesses throughout the municipal area.



For more information, please ring (03) 6256 4778.

## TRIABUNNA VERTICAL GARDEN!!!

Over the next few months you may notice curious construction taking place on the corner of Vicary and Melbourne Streets, in front of the Telstra Tower.

**You may wonder what is going on?**

Back in 2015 art staff from the School of Creative Arts, University of Tasmania worked with students from Triabunna District School as part of the Live Site Catalyst project, to make horror films featuring their school vegetable garden.

The footage made by the students was projected on the local buildings in Triabunna for 'Night Garden' as part of Dark Mofo – this was a great night and a fantastic show case of the students' work.

The second phase of the Live Site Catalyst project involves creating a permanent public Vertical Garden on the corner of Vicary and Melbourne Streets, in front of the Telstra Tower.

The Vertical Garden will be a local public garden feature consisting of native, edible and exotic plants. The garden is a collaboration between the Triabunna

District School, Glamorgan Spring Bay Council and *Live Site Catalyst*.

The Vertical Garden will be launched as part of the Harvest Festival on 14th December 2018!

***Enjoy watching its construction grow!!***

*Live Site Catalyst* is a School of Creative Arts project focusing on the people, place and space of Triabunna. It aims to engage contemporary creative arts practice with local communities.

*Live Site Catalyst* has received funding for the Vertical Garden project from the following organisations:

- Tasmanian Community Fund
- Institute for the Study of Social Change, University of Tasmania
- University of Tasmania Community Engagement and Development.

For enquiries contact Angela Turvey on (03) 6256 4759.

## NATIONAL TREE DAY

482 trees and native shrubs were planted in Glamorgan Spring Bay for this year's National Tree Day event. Council's NRM staff assisted Orford Primary School and Triabunna District School as well as Friends of Rocky Hills, Friends of Triabunna Reserves, Orford Community Group and community volunteers at the Bicheno Medical Centre to participate in Australia's largest tree planting and nature care event.



## BUILDINGS AND MARINE

### Summary of recent Works

#### Coles Bay Hall

Air conditioning units have been installed in the Library and Doctor's room at the Coles Bay Hall. These air-conditioning units can be transferred within the building once future building extensions are complete.

Security for the visiting doctor has been installed in the hall and will be monitored by Mekina Security.

#### Coles Bay Wharf

Repairs to the Coles Bay wharf are complete. Tas. Marine Construction has done the repairs and addressed the undermining of the wharf by the wave surge. Replacement lights for the wharf area are on order and will be installed soon.

#### Bicheno Boat Ramp

Various timber fenders had to be replaced and general repairs completed at the Bicheno boat ramp jetty. Extra "Boat Trailer Parking Only" signs have been ordered for the car park to try to ease the problem with campervans using the car park.

#### Swansea Loo with a View

Construction has commenced on the Loo with a View toilet facilities at Jubilee Beach, Swansea. The main steel frames and gangway fabrication have been ordered and are under production off-site as per the engineering specifications.

#### Swan River Road Boat Ramp

M.A.S.T. has approved \$40K funding towards the replacement access pontoon for the Swan River boat ramp. They are finalising the design and costing for the project.

#### Spring Bay Harbour Expansion Plan

The Spring Bay Harbour expansion and Maria Island Ferry Terminal concept plans have been developed and are on the Council's web site. The Council has received positive feedback on the plans that will expand the Triabunna Port into Spring Bay.

The design is to accommodate future needs for the local fishing fleet, increased visitation to Maria Island, expansion of tour boat businesses and general recreational boating.

#### Triabunna Marina Wash Down

A wash down facility adjacent to the new toilet block at the Triabunna Marina is complete. Friends of Maria Island were successful in obtaining funding from NRM South's biosecurity program for this project, with in kind support from the Parks & Wildlife Service and

Council. The main aim of the wash down facility is to reduce biosecurity threats by cleaning dirt, pathogens and weed seeds off boots, bicycles and wheel chairs both going to and coming back from Maria Island.



*Triabunna Wash Down Facility*

#### Triabunna Vertical Garden

The Vertical Garden project, which the University of Tasmania is funding, is under construction. The steel fence structure, which will house the planter pots, is currently being pre-fabricated off-site, is to be 2.4 metres high and will be installed along the fence line around the Telstra building on the corner of Vicary and Melbourne Streets, Triabunna. The garden wall feature will enhance the streetscape along Vicary Street and the plants will be managed and maintained by Council's Works Department, NRM team and the Triabunna District School.

#### Orford Community Hall

Work is continuing on the Orford Community Hall. The main extension, including the concrete slab, foundations, frame, roofing and exterior cladding is now complete. The in-wall plumbing and electrical have been installed and the plasterer is currently lining the interior walls. Once complete the extension will include new toilet facilities, including a disabled access toilet and an additional storage room and a new rear access with a disability access ramp.



**East Shelly Boat Ramp**

ASD diving contractors have completed the repairs to the East Shelly boat ramp jetty. They replaced damaged bracing structures and a broken step.

**Swanwick Bus Shelter**

Following several requests from the community, Council will be constructing a bus shelter adjacent to the Swanwick Recreation Ground.

This will be constructed prior to Christmas.

**Prosser River**

Work on the Prosser River stabilisation project had been put on hold over the last few weeks. Gradco had temporarily put work on hold while they waited for a new sand pump, which they have purchased from a company in Italy. This has now arrived and Gradco has resumed work.

**BICHENO PRIMARY SCHOOL LEADERSHIP GROUP**

**B**icheno Primary School Leadership Group, accompanied by Principal Robert Presswell, gave an outstanding presentation to the Glamorgan Spring Bay Council Natural Resource Management Committee at the September meeting. The students talked about recent sustainability and environment projects, including the formation of KEON (Kids Earth & Ocean Network) and their regular litter

clean ups, working with Bicheno Men’s Shed building penguin nesting boxes, the installation of recycling stations in the playground, their new sensory garden, the Kindy kitchen garden, tree planting and their WildSC’OOL application. The committee found the students’ enthusiasm and achievements very impressive and inspiring.

**SPRING INTO WEEDING**

**S**pring is here and it’s a delightful time of year to be outside. Plants are flowering - including those nasty weeds!

In Tasmania many weed species are ‘declared’ under the *Tasmania Weed Management Act 1999* (*‘the Act’*). In each municipality ‘declared weeds’ are classed under two categories - Zone A and Zone B.

The principle aim for Zone A weeds is eradication. Any landholder with a Zone A weed on their property is required under *‘the Act’* to be making all efforts to eradicate the infestation. Achieving and maintaining a total absence of Zone A weeds within the municipal boundaries is the ultimate goal.

Zone A weeds of concern in Glamorgan Spring Bay include, bridal creeper, boneseed, pampas grass,

English and Montpellier broom, Paterson’s curse, Spanish heath, fennel, serrated tussock, willows and ragwort.

For more information about Zone A weeds in Glamorgan Spring Bay contact Amanda Brooks at Council on 0488 573 175 or [amanda@freycinet.tas.gov.au](mailto:amanda@freycinet.tas.gov.au)



Ragwort



Serrated tussock



Boneseed



Bridal creeper



Pampas grass



Patersons curse



Spanish heath

## I'M A WET SAND WALKER AND I DON'T CHASE CHICKS

The shorebird breeding season began in September and will continue until March. You can help our East Coast shorebirds on all of our beaches this breeding season by walking or riding on the wet sand to avoid the upper parts of the beach where the shorebirds nest. Follow the Dog Management Policy directions. Dogs off lead can chase shorebirds and squash their eggs, and prevent parents and chicks from foraging for food at the water's edge. Cats also pose a threat to shorebirds. Desex your cat and prevent it from roaming. You may see some temporary fences on some beaches. These indicate

a nesting bird so please keep clear of the fence and ensure that no dogs enter the fenced off area.



Fairy Tern parent and chick, BirdLife Australia

## GREAT EASTERN CLEAN UP

October 2018 is Clean Up month. Throughout the municipality, schools, community groups, individuals, businesses and government organisations are hard at work picking up litter and reducing the debris entering our waterways and harming our environment.

The collected rubbish will be sorted, counted and displayed. Hopefully we can all learn something about where all this rubbish is coming from and discover ways to prevent it.

## SPRING TRASHION

Artist, Marina Debris' collection of wearable pieces made from litter collected from beaches and oceans is on display at the EastCoaster, Orford until early November. Marina was inspired to create the grotesquely amusing wearable art after she began

collecting the rubbish on her daily beach runs.

*"With my work I encourage the viewer to question the use of single use items, and consider ways to reduce waste so it does not end up in our oceans and landfills."*

## GREAT EASTERN CLEAN-UP CELEBRATION & THANK YOU

To thank everyone who has participated in the inaugural Great Eastern Clean Up, there will be a fun-filled event at the EastCoaster on Saturday, 3rd November. Music, food, face painting, and access to

the outdoor pool will all be available at the Free Entry Event. The Springbay Seafood and Wine Bar will be open for restaurant meals and drinks. All welcome.

## WAX WRAPS WORKSHOP AT SWANSEA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Swansea Primary School was successful in its recent application for a community grant from council. The grant enabled the school to fund a wax wrap workshop with Sarah Bury from Plasticwise Tarooma. Students were shown how to make their own wax wraps and how to fold them into snack and sandwich pouches. Wax wraps are a great alternative to plastic ziplock bags and cling film. The students will now be able to reduce their single use plastic waste significantly. Swansea Primary have also joined the Terracycle Oralcare program and now collect products such as used toothbrushes and toothpaste tubes to be recycled and made into recycled plastic

furniture. They are also separating soft plastics from the waste stream to be taken to Coles and Woolworths REDcycle bins.

All of our local schools are showing great leadership in sustainability and responsible waste management.



## WORKS DEPARTMENT UPDATE

### Roads, Footpaths, Kerbs

- Reconstruction works have recommenced on **Wielangta Road**. The last 5 kilometres to the Council boundary will be finalised by early October. The total overall reconstruction length was 21.5 kilometres. Council received \$815,000 from Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment (DPIPWE) to upgrade Wielangta Road from Rheban Road, Orford to the Council boundary.

- Stage one redevelopment works of the **Bicheno Triangle** is now complete, with the final onsite inspection undertaken in late September.



Part funding of \$206,373 was secured for Stage 1 of the project from the Community Infrastructure Fund.

- Bicheno Pedestrian Village** project works have commenced, with the construction of a walkway from the new ‘Triangle’ redevelopment area along Foster Street and down Jetty Road to the foreshore. This pathway forms part of the short walk referred to as the ‘Waubs Bay Walk’ developed by the Bicheno Destination Action Plan Group - DAP. The project is supported by a grant from the Department of State Growth to the value of \$36,413 and was secured by East Coast Regional Tourism Organisation.



- Road pavement widening and placement of new concrete kerb and gutter has been completed along the western side of **Old Spring Bay Road** in Swansea, between Francis Street and Kennedia Place. This work was funded through the annual Roads to Recovery Programme.
- New kerbing, concrete footpath and carpark asphalt works have been completed in front of May Shaw Health Centre, Wellington Street, Swansea. Carpark works included full linemarking and the placement of a designated disabled park close to the main entrance gate.

### Stormwater

Replacement of a stormwater line was completed at the end of Weily Avenue, Bicheno. The existing line had collapsed in sections and was causing localised flooding to houses in the cul-de-sac area. The new line was replaced through to the existing outfall structure.

### Bridges

Design works are underway for the proposed replacement (2019-20) of the double culverts on Rheban Road at Orford Rivulet adjacent Wielangta Road. This road crossing continually floods during high intensity rain events and will be replaced with a single span concrete structure. The design will also cater for a walkway as part of the structure, which will complement the continuation of the footpath network from the Orford township to the Shelly Beach area.

### Waste Management

- All kerbside collected waste is transported to the Copping Landfill and kerbside recycling material goes to a processing plant in Launceston.
- A number of large green recycling bins have been delivered to each waste transfer station site to cater for recyclable items such as: E-waste, aluminum, copper, brass, lead/dry cell batteries, gas bottles, lighting waste and x-ray films. This new service is aimed at reducing the amount of material going to landfill.
- Restricted operational hours which have been in place over the winter period finished on 30 Sept.
- The standard open days/hours now apply:

Monday	2.30pm – 4.30pm
Tuesday	2.30pm – 4.30pm
Wednesday	2.30pm – 4.30pm
Thursday	2.30pm – 4.30pm
Friday	2.30pm – 4.30pm
Saturday	<b>CLOSED</b>
Sunday	12.30pm – 4.30pm

Residents disposing of greenwaste are requested to ensure that the material is free from contamination such as plastic bags, metals or timber with nails. Any contaminated loads will be charged at standard gate fees as waste disposal.

If you would like any further information regarding your kerbside collection, or any other enquiries regarding Waste Management, please call the Works Department on (03) 6256 4777.

## AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS 2019

Nominations are invited from the public for the 2019 Glamorgan Spring Bay Council Australia Day Citizen and Young Citizen Awards.

These awards are for outstanding contribution and service to the local community and will be presented on 26th January.

All residents of the municipal area are eligible but the community service rendered should have been primarily within the municipal area.

To be eligible for the Young Citizen Award the person must be under 27 years of age on 26th January, 2019 and the Citizen of the Year Award is open to persons aged over 27 years on 26th January, 2019.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the Council Office, Triabunna (03) 6256 4777 or on Council's website [www.gsbc.tas.gov.au](http://www.gsbc.tas.gov.au)

Nominations close on Friday, 16th November, 2018.

## DRAFT FREYCINET PENINSULA MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to read through and then provide a written submission on the Draft Freycinet Peninsula Master Plan. There were 144 detailed submissions received.

The project steering committee is working closely with ERA Planning (the consultants) to understand the detail of, and determine the appropriate response to, matters raised within the submissions.

Again, we thank you for your time and input into this very important Master Plan process.

Donna Stanley, Project Manager, Freycinet Peninsula Master Plan.  
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## BLOWIN' IN THE WIND

Did you know that rubbish spilling from your bins is your responsibility? You could even be fined for littering! However, there are ways you can prevent your rubbish ending up in the street and waterways. Council has recently trialled a stainless steel device called a bin spring. Bin Springs work by holding the lid closed even if the bin falls over and they also prevent birds or animals from getting into your rubbish. [www.binspring.com](http://www.binspring.com). Think twice about putting your bins out in windy conditions. If you are part-time resident, maybe ask your neighbours for help instead of putting your bin out days ahead of pick-up time.

## SAVE THE DATE

November 24 brings acclaimed Melbourne actor David Tredinnick to Orford to read selections from *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens.

Accompanied by a choir of "urchins" from the Orford Primary School and well-known accordionist, Dave Elliston, Tredinnick brings to life Ebenezer Scrooge, the elderly miser who is transformed into a kinder person after visitations of the ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Still to Come.

**A not to be missed treat. Saturday, November 24  
at the Orford Hall at 2.00pm.**

**Bookings essential: (03) 6256 4777.**

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