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YOUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

Thursday 22nd March 2018

Mount Stuart Memorial Hall

Guest Speaker: Indra Boss

Worried about losing sunlight and privacy?

The Mount Stuart Residents Association Inc and Hall Association Inc will be holding their annual general meetings at 7.45 p.m. in the Mount Stuart Hall on March 22nd and we are very lucky to have secured Indra Boss as our guest presenter. Indra will speak dispassionately about the proposed changes to the Tasmanian Planning Scheme, using practical examples as much as possible.

Indra holds a Master of Environmental Planning from the University of Tasmania and is currently employed as a Planning Officer with Huon Valley Council. She is an Associate Member of the Planning Institute of Australia and a PhD candidate (part-time) with a research interest in urban green space planning. Her interest in land use planning was sparked during her seven years as a real estate agent in Queensland; during that time Indra observed firsthand the continual loss of native vegetation to urban sprawl.

Since moving to Tasmania in 2010 she has been active in raising community awareness about planning. It will be a great opportunity to ask questions and get an objective answer that is free of the terms 'fairer', 'quicker', and 'better'. Please come along, ask your questions, and meet someone new from your neighbourhood.

Nomination forms for the two committees, to be voted on at the AGM, are on the back page.

NEW HALL BOOKING OFFICER

We are pleased to advise that our new Hall Booking Officer is Gwen Vonk.

The number of applicants for the role was a surprise to us and we were impressed with the standard they evinced. If you want to make any enquiries about bookings at the hall, Gwen can be contacted on 0478 983 624 or by email at hallbookings@mountstuarttas.org.au

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to local identity Jim Poynter who will celebrate his 100th birthday on April 1st. Jim was born in Morwell, Victoria and arrived in Hobart in 1949 to become chief pharmacist at Royal Hobart Hospital. He moved to Mount Stuart shortly after his arrival, and except for a short spell in West Hobart, has lived here ever since. Not surprisingly, Jim has many stories to tell of a very interesting life.

Enjoy your birthday, Jim.



GOOD NEWS



Our popular Open Door program is continuing this year, again capably organised by Aviva Orgad and the team from Mathers House.

Every Monday: (Except Easter)
9.30 – 10.15 **Tai Chi** with Vicki (\$5 to the tutor).

Monday 19 March:

10.30 – 12.00: **The power of your voice** with Dorianne Daniels. Dorianne, an authorised Soul Voice teacher, will give an introduction to this method, including a demonstration of a sound bath and exercises which introduce you to the greatest healing instrument you possess – your voice.

Monday 26 March:

10.30 – 12.00: **Making mosaics** with Sue Leitch. All welcome (\$35 to the tutor).

Monday 9 April:

10.30 – 12.00: **Making mosaics** with Sue Leitch. All welcome (\$35 to the tutor).

Monday 16 April:

10.30 – 12.00: **Choose to be calm.** Week 1 of a four-week course on positive thinking with Helen Vojacek. Develop personal powers for a calm, positive approach to life.

Monday 23 April:

10.30 – 12.00: **Choose to be calm**, week 2.

Monday 30 April:

10.30 – 12.00: **Choose to be calm**, week 3.

Monday 7 May:

10.30 – 12.00: **Choose to be calm**, week 4.

If you have any questions about, or suggestions for, the program, contact Aviva Orgad:

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Email: aviva.or@hotmail.com

YOGA: MOUNT STUART 2018

Supper Room Mount Stuart Hall
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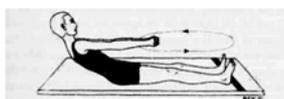
BEGINNER & EXPERIENCED:

Tuesday: 11 am.—12.30 pm.

EXPERIENCED:

Friday: 9.30 am.—11 am.

Self-regulated physical postures; breath work;
restorative relaxation; meditation
Yoga for changing pace & letting go.



Ann Sparks: 0428 842 144

Alderman Dr Eva Ruzicka

For assistance with local government issues across our lovely city, please contact me by phone 0407 391 317 or email ald.ruzicka@hobartcity.com.au
Authorised by E. Ruzicka,
1/6 Blackwood Ave. West Hobart

55 MOUNT STUART ROAD

You may recall that on Sunday 26th February last year, Drago Krajinovic, one of the owners of this property illegally demolished most of the heritage-listed residence on this site without so much as a permit. In December last year, he was fined \$225,000 by Magistrate Simon Cooper for demolition of the heritage-listed building and chopping down two heritage-listed trees. The maximum possible fine for his actions was \$353,000.



Originally, it was believed that the HCC would be able to impose a development ban of up to 10 years, but apparently the State Government removed this penalty from the legislation in 2015. We cannot recall any community consultation about this or the quantum of the fines, which presumably were reviewed at the same time.

Recently, Mr Krajinovic has indicated that he will appeal the fine, as he thinks it is too much. One of the heritage-listed trees, a bay tree, looks as if it will survive, although some of the recovering vegetation has recently mysteriously died off. HCC is investigating this. The other heritage-listed tree was an Irish yew tree and unfortunately it has died.

Mr Krajinovic and his co-owner, Nastassija Wiertek, applied to the HCC for, and were granted, a demolition order on 7th August last year, but nothing appears to have been done since. At the time of writing, the place remains a dangerous eyesore, with the remains of the house, piles of wood, long grass and weeds. Council has advised that the property remains heritage-listed.

Another issue is that, to the best of our knowledge, WorkSafe Tasmania has not yet taken any action against Mr Krajinovic for his actions in demolishing the house, which had asbestos in it, and were carried out while the electricity was still connected. It was lucky that nobody was electrocuted. Neighbours of the property remain concerned about the health consequences that arise from broken asbestos.

MOVING ON

With its strength of community spirit, and proximity to a wonderful bush reserve, parks, North Hobart and the city, moving into Mount Stuart is easy. Moving away is less so, say Heather and John Henderson. Residents of Mount Stuart since 1979, Heather and John



have downsized from their home in Gillon Cres to a new unit in Glenorchy.

The desire for a smaller, low maintenance home increases with age, and ahead of any move comes a reflection on the attractions of, and contributions made to your local community. With a

considerable degree of pride and albums of cuttings and photographs, Heather traces developments and progress made on Mount Stuart over nearly 40 years and how they and their three sons built an attachment to our suburb and played a small part in its growth.

The Mount Stuart School was a starting point. "When we came here the school and the hall were landmarks, along with Mrs Dabner's shop on the corner of Dale Crescent. While classroom education was important, we felt there was an equal need to develop the broader school environment. With other members of the Parents and Friends Committee we fundraised and held working bees to install playground resources and plant trees that would create an environment we felt enhanced the school's appeal."

Heather took on the presidency of the Mount Stuart Hall Committee in

2000 and continued in that role for many years. With three young sons – Brett, Grant and Rowan – interested in activities beyond the home, John became involved as a Cub leader along with Mark Newman and Henk Kremer, then becoming Group Leader. Badminton was another favoured family activity where the hall proved a valuable resource. "We became a big badminton family

and the boys continued in the sport to become State representatives with Rowan still the number one men's player in the State".



There was an international focus in their home as well. They have hosted 30 international college and university students – from China, Japan, Malaysia, Korea and Brazil – an experience that broadened the students' view of life in our global neighbourhood, while generating considerable goodwill in the Henderson household.

Through *Mount Stuart News*, our community wishes the Hendersons every happiness in their new home, with thanks and gratitude for the voluntary work and support given over nearly 40 years.

WHERE'S YOUR CAT?



The University of South Australia is running an innovative 'Cat Tracker' project Australia wide. The project, which tracks the movement of pet cats and interviews their owners, aims to learn about the roaming behaviours of pet cats and help cat owners make decisions about their cat's care and welfare. If you are not a cat owner, you can still fill out the survey to provide your views on cat ownership. Part of this project's objectives is to find out more about social attitudes to cat ownership and cat management.

A lightweight **GPS tracker** on a cat's collar or harness tracks and records its movement over a 24-hour period. The information is downloaded and displayed on a map – to **show you exactly where your cat roams!** You can check on your cat's safety – e.g. is it spending time near roads; identify its favourite sleeping, hiding and roaming places; and find out if it is entering other people's homes to be fed! Kids also love to learn where their furry friends like to spend time.



Check out the website: <http://j.mp/Cat-Tracker> and to find out more about the project, contact the project team at the University of South Australia: (08) 8302 9999 or discoverycircle@unisa.edu.au

This newsletter has been sponsored by the office of the Hon. Rob Valentine MLC as a community service. Our thanks to Rob for organising this.



**The Art Society of Tasmania
New Exhibition Every Month**



March: Clash

Artists use colour shape & media to surprise you.

April: Joan Humble

Internationally recognised for her landscapes & miniatures. (Opens Mar 31st)

Local residents are welcome:

To openings, 1st Friday of month at 6.30 pm.

To join as members, social \$40, artist \$50.

To join in workshops, beginners or experienced.

Open **11am - 4pm** Saturdays & Sundays.

Your local art centre

LADY FRANKLIN GALLERY

Ancanthe Park, 268 Lenah Valley Rd

0490 910 229 (Sat/Sun)

www.artstas.com.au

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



In recent months there have been several instances of motor vehicle theft, with offenders caught and charged in relation to the theft of a motor scooter and a motor bike. As well there have been at least six burglaries.

ADVICE: Make sure your vehicles are locked and if you are the owner of an older vehicle think about getting a steering wheel lock. Park your vehicle in your garage and if that's not possible, in your driveway. Try to have security lighting that covers your driveway. Don't leave valuables in plain sight inside your vehicle.

If your vehicle is entered and nothing is stolen, please still contact the police as this may give a bigger picture of what has been occurring, or it may form part of series of events for that time in your area. If you see anything suspicious, the police want to hear from you.



Police Contact Numbers

Phone 131444 – Non-urgent matters

Phone 1 800 333 000 – Crime Stoppers

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BADMINTON

Want to try badminton? The Tuesday Badminton Ladies would love to have you join them for fun and exercise: Tuesday mornings, 10.00 – 11.30 approximately. They can teach you, even if you have no skills but would love to try.



Ald Anna Reynolds

Working for your community

Please don't hesitate to call or email me if I can assist you with Council matters, or to sign up for my monthly community email newsletter.

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ASSOCIATION NOMINATIONS

Written nominations for the positions of: President, Secretary, Treasurer and nine committee members for each of the Associations may be delivered to the Secretary by 7.30 pm on 22nd March 2018. A nomination form is provided below or on our website www.mountstuarttas.org.au. (In accordance with the Constitutions, all residents of Mount Stuart over 18 years of age are members of both Associations.)

**2018 NOMINATION FORM:
ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES**

To: The Secretary

Mount Stuart Residents Inc#

Mount Stuart Hall Inc #

PO Box 116, North Hobart TAS 7002

We, the undersigned, nominate



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for the following position on the 2018
Committee/Committees.

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Proposer:.....

Seconder:.....

I accept the nomination

.....
(Nominee)

Tick one or both.