



McCrae Homestead Coastal Group Inc.

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Caring for the local environment

Newsletter Winter 2016

Welcome to the McCrae Homestead Coastal Group Newsletter; Winter 2016.

Shire Placemaker Grants: Application successful

We are pleased to announce that our submission to the Shire for a grant under their *Placemaker Grant Scheme*, for funds to assist us revegetate the area between Eyrie Creek and the McCrae Beach sign just west of Anthony's Nose, was successful. Thanks to everyone who gave input.



Our submission also included funding to produce a new information brochure and a working-bee sign.

For the revegetation part of the grant we are in the process of confirming our workplan with Matt Stahmer and Danielle Suffern before work can start in the area.

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For the brochure, the committee has had preliminary discussions on wording and once the draft has been approved it will be printed. We hope to distribute copies to various community places around the Rosebud area as well as leaving a supply at the Rotunda.

The sign needs a catchy phrase to alert the community to the work we do and encourage new members to join. We are currently working on this and will welcome any suggestions.

Refreshments at working bees

In the past members have brought their own lunches and spent time socialising after working-bees, and it is a pity that this part of the group activity has fallen away in recent times.

So the committee is proposing to run a trial of the group providing a light lunch after the next working-bee on Sunday 3rd July to ascertain whether it can become a permanent occurrence after each working-bee.

Initially, as it is winter, this will be perhaps soup, crusty bread, fruit and a hot drink. Please let us know if you like the idea.

Recycling

(From Peninsula Wide April 2016)

Do you know that many items can be disposed of for free at the Shire's resource recovery centres including:

- * Batteries – domestic quantities of car, household & mobile phone. Dispose at Rye, Tyabb & Mornington;
- * Bicycles/Bikes – at Rye, Tyabb & Mornington;
- * Car Bodies – with tyres and tank removed. Car body with tank, tyres and rims (fees apply) at Rye only;
- * Computers, TVs and E-waste – at Rye, Tyabb & Mornington;
- * Gas Cylinders & Bottles up to 9kg - at Rye, Tyabb & Mornington;
- * Household Whitegoods – (excluding fridges) hot water service, clothes dryer, dishwasher at Rye, Tyabb & Mornington;
- * Household Recyclables – newspapers, magazines, bottles, cans glass, plastic, cardboard & boxes at Rye, Tyabb & Mornington;
- * Fluorescent Tubes – at Rye, Tyabb & Mornington;
- * Motor Oil – up to 20 litres per visit - at Rye, Tyabb & Mornington;
- * Steel & Metal - at Rye, Tyabb & Mornington. Small items at waste hoppers in Dromana, Sorrento & Flinders.

To find out more go to the Shire's Waste Disposal Guide at www.mornpen.vic.gov.au

Rainfall in McCrae:

| Year | Annual |
|------|-------------------------|
| 2005 | 640.50mm |
| 2006 | 466.50mm |
| 2007 | 756.50mm |
| 2008 | 602.75mm |
| 2009 | 614.00mm |
| 2010 | 934.50mm |
| 2011 | 843.00mm |
| 2012 | 959.00mm |
| 2013 | 854.50mm |
| 2014 | 652.55mm |
| 2015 | 631.50mm |
| 2016 | 353 mm (01/01 to 25/06) |

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New Members

We welcome two new members – Helen Ryan and Charles Fuller-Jackson. We hope you enjoy working on the beautiful McCrae foreshore with us.

Mycrena seen at McCrae recently:



.....thanks Barry & Dee.

McCrae Group Calendar 2016

Working Bees

First and second Sunday of the month except January - 10.00am at the Rotunda.

Just turn up!!

Volunteers do need to be a member of the group and registered with the Shire but this can be done on the day. You will be provided with gloves, safety glasses, sun hat, safety vest and tools.

Seasonal Plantings

Advised separately.

Annual General Meeting

Held in November each year.

More Information?

For any information about the Group contact one of the Committee members listed below.