



THE DUNDEE MESSENGER

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From the President

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The Dundee Progress Association's Newsletter

"Working To improve your facilities, lifestyle and amenities"

The DPA Committee have been working tirelessly on many issues since the last 'Messenger.'

Some of the issues to date include:

- Main Dundee Bore – repaired.
- Beach Access at Marege Drive – to be restricted by NTG.
- Waste Disposal – currently under negotiations to enlarge the bins.
- Burnt vehicles – negotiations for their removal with the Dept. Transport.

The Army Advisory Group will be visiting Dundee shortly re the military exercise mid-year. The DPA has been promised a written plan of the exercise that will be available to the community when the plans are finalised.

In regard to Local Government, John Davidson and I met with David Williams and Shaun Hardy, LGANT. We were advised that there are no shire plans in place for Dundee for at least the next 2 years. The NTG are currently negotiating restructuring with established shires only. Dundee is not on their radar as yet. The DPA will continue to monitor this situation closely as we prepare for future developments. The LGANT report from our meeting will be made available to DPA members when received.

I welcome the two new First Aid Volunteers, Lynette McNaughton and Rebecca Campbell. These ladies will ease the workload considerably, especially considering

the traumatic time Monique and Rebecca experienced over the Easter weekend. Their commitment and dedication is to be applauded. The replacement ambulance is in service and the original to be sold in the near future.

The majority of the local community appreciated the Police presence over the Easter Weekend. On behalf of the DPA and the community I would like to thank them and acknowledge the tremendous effort put in by all First Aid volunteers on the Easter weekend, thanks as well.

The DPA committee have a number of meetings planned prior to a General Meeting being held to report and update members on the current issues.

See you at the Markets or at the ANZAC Day Dawn Service.

Allan Andrews, President DPA.

We plan to keep you informed, via the Newsletter, Facebook or "one-off electronic flyers" as issues arise and how we are planning to address them – *again we rely on your input if we are to represent you.*

Our E-mail address is:
secretary@dundee.org.au





Dundee Social & Recreation Club



Dundee Social and Recreation Club (DSRC) members have been very busy since the January Messenger. Successful, fun filled nights included Valentine's and St Patrick's nights (Black Friday's) at the Club.

There is no doubt that all, especially the ladies, appreciate the completion of the new toilet facilities. Our thanks to all who donated goods and volunteered their time to the continuation of the building project. We are looking forward to completing the new kitchen and bar area.

The Easter Fishing Comp was well supported, a lot of fun and some big barra caught and released. Sunday evening Presentation Dinner saw over 120 people and some great trophy prizes presented. Thanks to all those who donated or entered this family fun event and those who worked so hard to organise it.



ADULT

Barra	Graeme Talbot & Kelly McCoy (both had Barra just over 1m)
Golden Snapper	Robbie Sherry
Jew	Bug & Andrew Lay (Both fish weighed 6.68 kg)
Mackerel	Clayton Dumigan (weighed 10 kg)
Rock Cod	Kim Mychas (weighed 6.92 kg)
Salmon	Sam Cavanaugh
Mud Crab	Kenny Dumigan

JUNIOR

Golden Snapper	Keely
Jew	Elly Dumigan (Weighed 7.42 kg)
Mackerel	Tayla (Weighed 4.96 kg)
Salmon	Jasmine
Mud Crab	Elly Dumigan

Next Big Family Fishing Comp
will be held from
23rd to 25th July.

Coming events include:

ANZAC Day, 25th April.

Bar Open from 10.00am to 2.00pm and lunch available. Two Up etc.

Delicious Curry Night, 5th May with many special recipes....
Bynoe Fishing Comp on the weekend of the 6th June.

The Club is the place to be on Friday nights with lots of music, drinks, chatter and delicious meals... See you there

Ros Andrews
Secretary

— LEST WE FORGET —

DUNDEE BEACH ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE

25TH APRIL 2015

The Anzac Day Dawn Service will be held at The Memorial (Dunheved Road) Dundee Beach.

The service will begin at approximately 0600

Following the service, a Gunfire Breakfast will be hosted by The Dundee Progress Association. Inc.

Tea, coffee, sausage sizzle and rum'n coffees will be available for sale. (Proceeds To Legacy)

Two-Up Games will Be run later in the day at the Dundee Social & Recreation Club.

Lepanto St. Dundee Beach
Bar Opens At 10.00am

From the Front: DVBB News

Hello,

Fire Season is upon us again. As a reminder for everyone, the basic fire laws are listed below:

Landowners:

- Must install and maintain a 4 metre firebreak around their property and all improvements.
- Are responsible for the removal of excess flammable material on their property.

Dundee and Milne Region is in the Vernon Fire Protection Zone.

- A Person must not set fire to any bush or other inflammable material on land within a fire protection zone at any time of the year without a **permit to burn**.
- Permits to burn are available, free of charge, from your local warden or fire control officer.
- If it is necessary to use a fire for cooking purposes, you must ensure:
 - The nearest flammable matter is more than 4 metres away.
 - The fire is fully extinguished with water before being left unattended.

The Minister may impose a total fire ban during periods of dangerous fire weather.

- Total fire bans are announced through the media.
- Permits to burn are cancelled on total fire ban days.
- No fires of any kind are to be lit in the open air during a total fire ban.
- The fire danger rating signs are kept up to date daily and will state if there is a total fire ban.

LOCAL FIRE WARDENS

DUNDEE DOWNS

Ian Stewart
89782909

DUNDEE FOREST

Les Pleitner
89777182

DUNDEE BEACH

Trevor Cockin
0488799009
Vilma Cockin
0418804912

BYNOE HAVEN

Sue Jones John Connor
89779041 89779090
Ross Koop
89779017

If you would like to become involved, contact one of our members.

If you see any smoke please contact one of our wardens.

Until Next Time,

Les Pleitner

Captain Dundee Volunteer Bushfire Brigade



Smile A Mile Fun Bus & Toy Library Inc.

- We provide a mobile service designed to enable rural and remote families to access developmental activities and equipment..
- Our Fun Bus Venues provide art and craft activities and a great range of toys and equipment for playing with during the session.
- Our Venues are for parents, carers, grandparents and extended family members to bring their children along for a great morning's entertainment
- Free for Toy Library members Gold coin donation per child for non-members.
- Dates for Fun Bus at Dundee for 1st half of the year – 26th May and 30th June Dundee Bushfire Brigade
- Toy Library – at base at Coolalinga and on Venues. Annual Membership - \$55 per year. Access to an extensive range of toys and equipment which provide fun, enjoyment, developmental challenges and learning opportunities for young children. Membership enables you to borrow 1 large and 3 small items over a monthly period – we are flexible with length of borrowing time.

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Support Workers – Lenore, Lynley, Toni-Anne

Jacinta McInnerney

Mobile Service Coordinator

Smile A Mile Fun Bus & Toy Library Inc

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First Aid Postings

Local resident, Lynette McNaughton has completed the Occupational First Aid Course. Lynette, together with Rebecca Campbell can now be on called on as a Volunteer for the Dundee First Aid Service. We would like to thank Rebecca and Lynette for volunteering their time to help with this essential service.



Dundee Progress Association has taken possession of a replacement Ambulance, (ex St John's), to be used by the Dundee First Aid Volunteers. We would like to thank all sponsors who have contributed to the purchase of this vehicle.

GP Service for Dundee

Letters for expressions of interest for a GP service at Dundee have been circulated. We have had two replies to these letters and will keep the Community informed of any developments with regard to GP visits in the future.



We would especially like to thank the Dundee Charity Golf Day Committee for their generous offer of support for the purchase of the new Ambulance.

"Given the importance of the First Aid Post to the Community, and after discussion with the Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade, we have decided to donate half of all profits from the day (up to \$9000) to the Dundee Volunteer First Aid Post to assist you to pay off the ambulance."



Happy Winner of the Quilt Raffle:
Lyn Walford from Darwin.

Jenny Whyte
Dundee 1st Aid Post

Humpback Whales

in the N.T.



Since August 2012, there have been six confirmed sightings of humpback whales in Northern Territory waters. The first sighting of a mother and calf was off Dundee Beach in August 2012, and in July 2014, two adults and a calf were recorded off the Peron Islands. These are really fantastic and unusual sightings.

Humpback whales – big travellers!

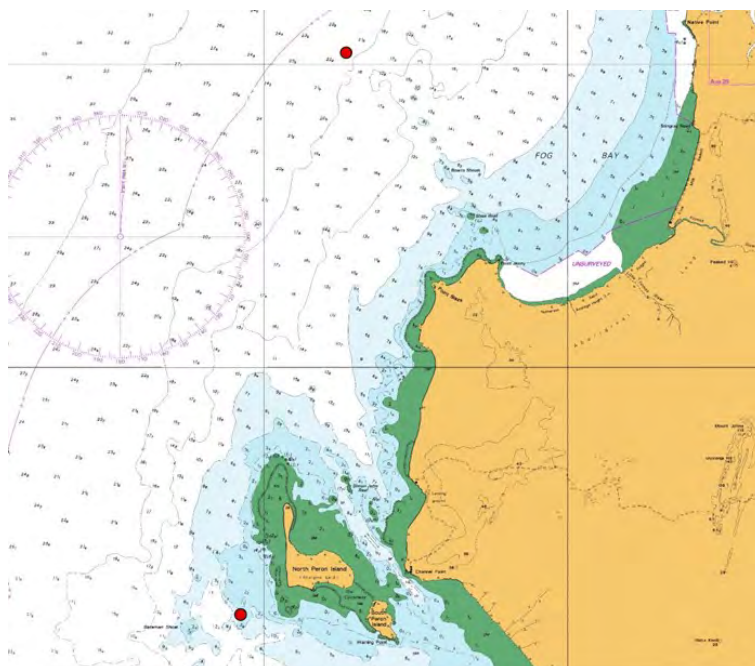
The humpback whale is a moderately large baleen whale (about 16 metres). Australia has two migratory stocks that travel north along the eastern (Group E genetic sub-stock) and western (Group D genetic sub-stock) coastline between June and August each year. They are travelling to their sub-tropical and tropical calving grounds. Then come September they are on the move again south towards the Southern Ocean where they spend the summer months feeding on krill in Antarctic waters. During this annual migration, humpback whales can travel up to 10,000 kilometres.

So where do our “Northern Territory” humpback whales come from? Well it is a bit of mystery right now. They could be coming from the calving ground in the Kimberley or maybe from the east coast but what brings these whales to the Peron Islands and around Dundee Beach we are not sure.

So if you are out on the water, and see a whale it is important to record where you saw them, how many and if there were any calves. The more information we have means we will start to get a picture of what these humpback whales are up to and identify important areas for them in the Northern Territory.

How you can help

Always stay at least 100 metres away from the whales and never try to touch them even if they approach you.
Take photos and a GPS location (or a photo of your chart plotter and that will have the location).
Report any sightings of whales to Marine Wildwatch 1800 453 941.



Humpback whale sightings off Dundee Beach and Peron Islands



Progress with Banana Freckle Eradication in Dundee

Banana Freckle Eradication Program field teams recently stayed at Dundee as part of the ongoing Banana Freckle eradication effort. As the 30 April 2015 deadline approaches, field teams have started working seven days a week.

By late March only 89 properties in Dundee remained to be determined if they do or do not have banana plants. If you have banana plants on your property and have not contacted the program please call the Hotline or visit the website to make a booking for destruction.

Field teams would like to thank Dundee residents for their cooperation and ongoing support for the Program. Dundee residents understand the importance of protecting Australia's reputation for clean and wholesome food.

Help meet the 30 April Destruction Deadline

Please contact the Program to let us know whether your property **Does** or **Does Not** have banana plants. This will help the Program eradicate Banana Freckle as soon as possible.

With your help the NT can be Banana Freckle Free

Call the Hotline: 1800 771 163 or email: banana@nt.gov.au

or visit www.banana.nt.gov.au

For further information:

- Refer to the web site: www.banana.nt.gov.au
- Email your questions to banana@nt.gov.au
- Banana Freckle Hotline: 1800 771 163.

Dundee Phone Directory

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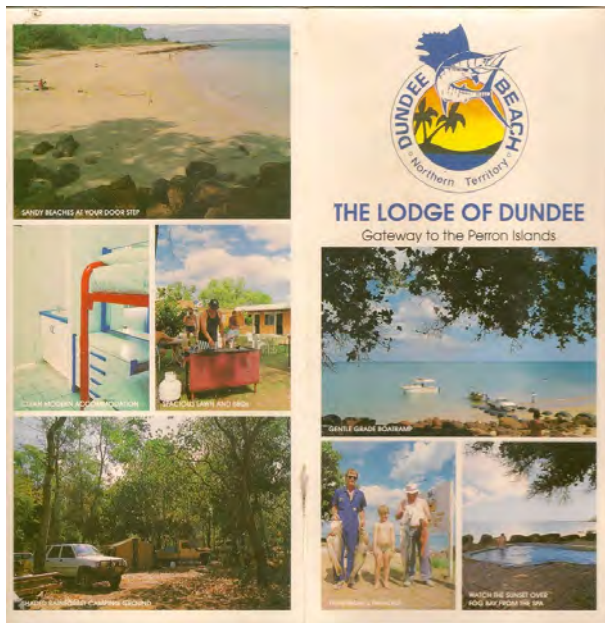
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An interesting find from the good old days.

Dundee Beach Markets
Saturdays: 11.00am – 3.00pm
Foreshore Dundee Beach



We hope you have enjoyed reading this issue
and that you have found it both informative and interesting.

We are planning to publish further issues so if you would like to contribute please contact us at:

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*Follow our link on Facebook –
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(A big thanks to Tracy Jones for giving us some of her time to help keep the Web page updated.)