

Tyalgum District

The Heart of the Caldera

Issue 1

Community Newsletter

December 2008

Welcome to the first edition of the Tyalgum District Community Newsletter sponsored and compiled by the Tyalgum District Community Association. The newsletter is a way of letting you know what we are doing and inviting you to become involved in our projects and activities.

We also want to bring you news of other community events, so we welcome information on your upcoming activities so that we can help publicise them.

We hope that the newsletter will be a monthly publication. See over for how to make sure you get a copy.

Our committee for this year is: Anne Duke (President), Tudor Crystals (Vice-President), Joan Eccleshare (Secretary), Amanda Nicholls (Treasurer), Robyn Lemaire, Bob McDonald and Verdandi Worldtree (Committee members) and Peter Bennett (Past President). Our Membership Secretary is Steve Berndt. He would love to see you at the store and accept your \$1 joining and \$2 annual membership fee.

LOCAL BUSINESS AND SERVICE DIRECTORY

Are you a local tradesperson, goods and services provider etc.? We want to encourage support of local suppliers, so intend if there is enough interest from you, to develop a local directory which will be particularly useful to new residents. Email your details to info@tyalgum.org.au Or drop your card or flyer into the TDCA box at the store.

TDCA COMMUNITY OFFICE

The TDCA are renting the former pre-school space from the 'Hall Committee'. A primary aim of doing this was to provide a place for small community and other groups to meet. We encourage you to take advantage of the availability of the space and use the office for your meetings or activities. You can email queries to us at info@tyalgum.org.au or grab one of the Committee.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

7:30PM SUNDAY

21ST DECEMBER

MEMORIAL PARK

TYALGUM VILLAGE

(HALL IF RAINING)

**FLUTTERBIES WILL BE OPEN
FOR LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
AFTERWARDS.**

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHOIR?

PHONE TUDOR

02 6679 2259

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

**LIGHT UP THE VILLAGE AND
HAVE THE CHANCE TO WIN A
CHRISTMAS HAMPER**

**IF YOU LIVE OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE
AND WANT TO ENTER, EMAIL YOUR
ADDRESS TO
INFO@TYALGUM.ORG.AU**

BRING & BUY SALE

Sunday 7th December 9am to 1pm Tyalgum Community Hall. Tables \$5.

Contact Joan Eccleshare ph 6679 3897.

SOME CURRENT PROJECT

- The trivia nights raised over \$2000 towards street beautification. As a start we are liaising with Council and hope to replant some of the sad garden beds in the car parking areas with appropriate flowering bird attracting native species. We realise that a couple of these have been adopted by community members and will liaise with them at planting time.
- Other trivia night monies have been set aside for a basketball tower to be installed into the disused tennis court which Council have, as we understand, agreed to bitumen so that skate boards can be used in the area.
- We have received a grant from the local Tweeds Clubs to work in co-operation with our local Rural Fire Service to develop a brochure and other material regarding preparation for floods, storms and other emergencies. This will be a good reminder for long-term residents and we hope invaluable to newcomers. We'll incorporate Council data with a bit of local Know how.
- We will also courtesy of Jenni Funari, Council Community Development Officer and TURSA soon have a TDCA Community Noticeboard outside our office so we can let you know what's happening of interest around the ridges.

PROJECTS FOR THE NEW YEAR

FARMERS MARKET

The TDCA is currently cooperating with Chillingham Community (who plan to start their monthly farmers market in January) with the idea of Tyalgum also running a monthly market. This would mean that local farmers and producers would have a fortnightly opportunity to sell produce locally. We also plan to time the markets to synchronise with Uki. We intend a combined Village approach to promoting the markets. We are at moment liaising with council and deciding on a suitable location.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

From January 2009 the TDCA Community Office will be open on Saturday mornings for you to drop in to have a chat and pick up information on subjects of community interest.

STRATEGIC PLAN

We are hoping to receive further funding from the Department of State and Regional Development for the next phase of the Tyalgum District Community Strategic Plan. Again we will be cooperating with Chillingham and Uki to coordinate our efforts.

NEW WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER FOR TYALGUM COMMUNITY

Our new website will be coming soon. More information will be available in the next newsletter. Our newsletter will be available on our website or by email. If you'd like to be on our email list, send your details to newsletter@tyalgum.org.au. As we want to be environmentally friendly and reduce our costs, we want to keep printed copies to a minimum. If you need a printed copy to be sent to you, please send your address to us at: PO Box 1, Tyalgum

VILLAGE VOICE RIP???

Contrary to public opinion Ari tells us that there is still life in the Voice. We have offered our help to take it off life support.