

WYE RIVER AND SEPARATION CREEK COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Presidents Report

No matter who you speak to, the reason that people keep coming to Wye River is to appreciate the beauty and harmony with nature. This has been at the forefront of the minds of the Progress Association (PA) committee members, as we work to keep the area special. Paddy's Path and parking, our two highest priorities, are examples of how the PA has been quietly and persistently working with the authorities behind the scenes, to improve our villages.

Transparency of information

Our new website has information about what is happening with various projects in our villages, like Paddy's Path. It is visible to everyone – see www.wyesepp.org.au

Paddy's Path

Although closed for a year due to a serious landslip, we have been told by the Department of Environment & Primary Industries (DEPI) that Paddy's Path should be open again for summer. That is good news, as it provides a picturesque walk between Wye and Sep. More importantly, it is a safe alternative for pedestrian traffic, away from the narrow bitumen road.

Parking

Parking gridlock has been an unpleasant part of summer at Wye. This year we are optimistic that there will be some sensible changes to allow more people access to parking near the beach. After steady lobbying from the PA, the Colac Otway Shire is working on new parking arrangements. It will be on trial for the first year and we are asking everyone to be patient as the new arrangements are brought in. The main advantage will be to reduce the number of cars parking indefinitely in prime areas, to the detriment of the wider community.

Regional Lobbying

PA representatives meet periodically, face to face with our regional organisations, to ensure our concerns are clearly heard. Some examples include:

- Telstra – mobile capacity in summer – resulted in major upgrade last year
- VicRoads – footbridge at Sep Ck, minimising disruption during road closures; (PA facilitated meeting of VicRoads with local businesses and a drop in day for locals about a 4 day closure of the Great Ocean Road)
- DEPI and Otway Coast Committee – Paddy's Path, campground, river walk, fire burns

Colac Otway Shire Lobbying

The PA was concerned that Wye was not forgotten when much of the senior management staff at the Colac Otway Shire changed this year. We met with the outgoing CEO Rob Small, the acting CEO Phil Corluka, and in early October, the new CEO Sue Wilkinson, as well as the mayor and local councillors.

Examples of our lobbying are: parking; new fire related building regulations; roads; garbage collection; Harrington Park restoration; excessive rates; road closure event arrangements.

PA Rules change

At our AGM in January we are proposing to update and simplify our governing rules. The draft changes are shown on our website at: www.wyeseppa.org.au/documents. You can contact us with questions and comments (we.seppa@gmail.com).

TV reception change

Transmission from the Wye River TV tower changed on 8 October. Some channels no longer work. If you have a TV that receives reception from the local tower, you will need to do an Auto-retune. (see www.retune.digitalready.gov.au)

New Footbridge at Separation Creek/ Vicroads

On 9 July, Sarah Henderson, our local Federal MP, announced that as part of the rebuilding of the Separation Creek Bridge by Vicroads, at a cost of about \$4 million, a footbridge will be constructed. Two other local bridges will also be rebuilt over the next few years. The PA has joined with others in the community in lobbying for the Sep Ck footbridge and is pleased that the footbridge (in 2015+) will minimise risk to pedestrians.

The PA also assisted Vicroads in getting information out about the 4 day closure of the Great Ocean Road in August and helped to minimise the local impact. Vicroads did an excellent job of the urgent work (cost \$0.9M) and reopened exactly on schedule.

Bringing the community together

Our committee is a balanced group that brings voices from across the community, as some of our committee members are also members of the CFA, the Surf Club, the Social Club, the Tourism Group, campers, bike riders. We have residents/ non-residents and are about equal in number of men and women.

Are you contributing?

The Progress Association is doing a lot behind the scenes to keep Wye special. If you are a resident, landowner or camper, if you love Wye, please do the right thing and become a member. The more members, the more effective our voice in getting the resources we need for Wye. See the page at the end of this newsletter or www.wyeseppa.org.au/join. We send members email updates every few months, so that you can remain informed about what is happening in Wye.

Rex Brown, President

Wye River Open Space Development (Update from Colac Otway Shire)

River Walk Path

The land manager, Otway Coast Committee (OCC) and the Big 4 Holiday Park, are continuing to determine the most appropriate alignment for the River Walk Path. OCC expect to have formal agreement by the end of November 2014. Due to the approaching summer season and availability of contractors, proposed commencement is expected to be February/March 2015.

Harrington Memorial Park

TGM Group was engaged to prepare detailed design and specifications for the development of Harrington Memorial Park. Following the completion of detailed design, Council recently undertook a tender process, seeking suitable contractors to complete the construction works.

An arborist's report was also undertaken on the tree directly adjacent to the excavated area. The report identified that the tree would need to be removed due to the previous excavation works having impacted on the root system. The tree is being removed by a qualified contractor.

Contractor Wayne Fitzgerald was awarded the contract to complete site works at Harrington Memorial Park. The works will result in the completion of the project to its original scope which includes:

- An open-sided shelter, BBQ and picnic furniture.
- Enhancement of the existing levelled area to enable a range of outdoor recreation activities (eg: Petanque) and community programs and events.
- Pathway rectification works.
- Disabled car park.
- Landscaping.

Works will commence in October 2014 and it is anticipated the project will be completed by mid to late December 2014.

Bushfire Management

The Progress Association has been actively involved in submissions to Council on the Colac Otway Bushfire Planning Policy Project and has given financial support to the successful campaign, led by Kate Cotter, to change the State Government's Bushfire Planning Regulations.

Following those changes, Colac Otway Shire (COS) Council announced that its Field Officers met with State Government representatives to discuss the implications of the State Government's Bushfire Management Overlay (BMO) changes for Council's project, examining the potential for BMO schedules in eight of its high risk towns, including Wye River and Separation Creek.

The Manager - Planning & Building, Doug McNeill, has advised the Progress Association that COS will be applying the new State provisions from the effective date of 31 July 2014. Each application will be assessed on its merits and applicants can rely on the building application they lodged prior to the change in regulations, or amend it with additional measures to reduce the fire risk.

Ian Angus, PA Governance Sub-committee.

November Mini Forum – Are we ready for summer?

The Progress Association is arranging for the Shire and other government groups to tell us how they are working to get ready for summer. This Forum is in addition to our traditional Public Forum, which is conducted following our AGM in January.

The Mini Forum will be held during the Melbourne Cup weekend on Sunday 2 November, 10 am at the CFA building. All welcome.

CFA Report October 2014

Usually when I sit down to write this report, I talk about how quiet the winter has been turn out wise for the Brigade. Well not this year; we have attended structure fires, motor vehicle accidents and assisted ambulance with carrying out patients from bushwalking tracks, which has added up to 21 call outs so far. We continue to train new members with another four qualified this year.

Brigade elections were held this year and we welcome Jeremy and Carolyn to the position of Secretary/ Treasurer roles. Dave Kohout and Michael Winn have been elected Lieutenants and have taken up their roles enthusiastically. Both have completed crew leader courses and their help and enthusiasm at training nights is greatly appreciated by Andrew Hack and myself.

One brigade initiative this year is to test and map household CFA dedicated water points for accessibility and function.

We have been successful in obtaining two grants this year. The first was a \$3,000 grant from Apollo Bay and District Health Foundation. This grant was made possible through proceeds from the Great Ocean Road Marathon, where the Wye River Brigade ran a drink station. These funds will be put towards the upgrade of our brigade owned 4WD vehicle. The second was a \$100,000 from CFA on a 2 for 1 basis, for a mid size 4x4 tanker, which will greatly enhance our firefighting capabilities.

This type of grant is only possible because of the great support we get from our auxiliary and our community through our fundraising fetes.

Please remember to update your bushfire plan this season.

BE PREPARED. We encourage you to download to your phone and use the CFA's 'Fire Ready' app.

For information on when the fire restriction period begins, please check out the Community Notice Board at the Wye General Store. No date is known yet, as it is weather dependent and a regional decision.

A reminder about our siren...when the siren runs for 20 seconds it is a test. When the siren runs for 90 seconds it is a call for members to attend an incident. When the siren runs continuously for 5 minutes then please ENACT your bushfire plan.

During the year our brigade sustained two major losses of personnel. Stewart McPhee succumbed to his long battle against illness. When his health permitted, Stewart was an active firefighter, and when not too good, he would always help out at our fetes. Peter Mitchell and his wife Corinne have moved to Melbourne. During his 15 years living in Wye River, Peter was not only a dedicated firefighter and third lieutenant but also for the past twelve years Secretary/Treasurer. The many accomplishments that Peter helped initiate and achieve include successful grant applications, memorable annual dinners, the third bay extension to the station, the gymnasium and the award winning Community Volunteers Program.

On a sad note I also wish to report the recent passing of my father George Moriarty who was the last surviving founding member and first Captain of our Brigade.

And lastly with Peter Mitchell having left the area it would be great to have someone take on the leadership role of the Community Volunteers. If you would like to know more about this, please contact me, Roy on 0418367496.

Roy Moriarty - Captain (Danny Zuko)

CFA Auxiliary Report - Nov 2014

It seems so long ago now but I realize that many of our community might not have heard that our Easter fete raised \$13,400.00! This was fantastic! For a small community it is doubly fantastic! Thank you all.

This money will go towards the upgrading of our Brigade owned vehicle (the 4 WD vehicle of first response) AND our very exciting soon to be acquired mid-sized tanker. However we still need more money to match the grant... SO if you missed the Easter Fete don't worry the Summer Fete is just ahead.

**Tuesday 6th January 2015
10.00am until 12.00pm
at the Wye Fire Station.**

We are looking for pre loved goods; clothes, house-hold items, books etc (all clean and in good condition please.) We need new items for auctioning, home grown fruit and vegies, home-made goods, including crafts, jams, CAKES.

When I said if you missed the last fete, I mean to help out, contribute ideas, or just as customers, you are more than welcome. The fetes are a great community event; much more than just money making. Having fun is high on the list of our priorities, so please join us.

Contact Carolyn 0427890234 or Yvonne 52890068

As a small band of workers, it is always sad when one of our members leaves the area. Corinne Mitchell was a devoted and loyal member, who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to help in anyway she could. We are very grateful for her long and loyal service. We hope she knows that she (and her beanies) will be welcome with open arms at our fetes and other events in the future!!

Carolyn Tatchell - President CFA Auxiliary

Wye River Surf Life Saving Cub – Latest news!

You may have noticed renovations happening at the lifesaving clubhouse on the foreshore and the fencing off of the land. The builder started in mid-September and is now well into the first stages of renovation. By Christmas, we should have a new kitchen area and an office area upstairs, to improve the utility of the building. Due to steady growth in membership over the past decade, we have outgrown the current building, which was finished in 2000. The upgrades are made possible by Victorian Emergency Service grants (VESEP) and the generous support of the community. The club is meeting about 60% of the costs through its accrued savings. I would also like to thank the CFA for kindly agreeing to house our equipment during this building period.

When finished, as well as being available to club members, the clubhouse will also continue to provide a venue for community use and for other events –you can book through the website. We will also aim to have a small celebration to ‘launch’ the renovations. All are invited to come and view the improvements. The club also has a 30 bed bunkhouse, which is accredited and available for community bookings, out of season. (April – November) and also Monday – Friday from February.

As we move into the busy spring and summer seasons, you will be seeing increasing activity around the beach. Patrols start on November 29th and go through to 6th April 2015. During the week, outside of public holidays, paid life guards will take over, using club gear. Dates for the nippers (juniors) programme, Bronze camps etc will be listed on our new website and Facebook page. We have lengthened and extended the activities for nippers this year. I would also like to remind Separation Creek beachgoers that in the event of an emergency, there is a free phone by the beach, with direct connection to the WRSLC radio room, during patrol hours.

A packed social program is also planned for January, including the Comedy Night, with some very well- known comedians and Trivia and wine- tasting nights. Do keep a close eye on the signs around town, the website and Facebook and come along to support the club. Other fundraising events will be seafood raffles on Saturday nights and a door knock appeal on New Year’s Day.

We have been quite successful in gaining small grants this year. A VicHealth grant is enabling us to purchase more rescue tubes, helmets and a board and we have also gained \$6,000 to brick in around the pump. We have received some further funding from VESEP grants to help with the costs of floors and internal fittings for the clubhouse. However the costs of running the club and maintaining equipment and buildings etc are growing and our main source of income is active fundraising.

I would also like to acknowledge and express the Club’s gratitude to our newest sponsor, “Blood Toyota Geelong,” who have kindly agreed to sponsor IRB equipment and activities. The Club has been very fortunate in the last 12 months to see two major sponsors willing to help with our costs.

Congratulations to our intrepid Competition Manager – Michael Barrand - who came first in the World's 1 km beach sprint race in France this month – an amazing achievement, which the Club should also be proud of.

Finally I would just like to plug the revival of the Kennett to Wye Board Race, which will be held in December and organised by the Wye, Kennett and Separation Sports and Recreation Club. They will make details available shortly. Although the club is not directly involved in organising or sponsoring the event, we will be offering water safety support along with Kennett and Lorne clubs.

Please don't hesitate to contact any of our committee members, or approach patrol members on the beach, if you would like to know more about the club and its activities. We always welcome new members. You don't have to have your Bronze to join the club – you can achieve this as part of your membership or participate in non-active ways – there are plenty of jobs which require a wide range of skills. We look forward to the coming summer season and continuing to provide the usual high level of life saving and beach safety activities, which after all is what we are here for!

Debra Hocking, President, SLSC

Otway Cost Committee (OCC)

Paddy's Path

The OCC has been working with DEPI & Vicroads throughout the year to find a solution to the problem, which cause a major slope failure and the required closure of Paddy's Path. The OCC made a funding application to the Public Safety on Public Land" program, which was unsuccessful. Thankfully, local DEPI officers, understanding the importance of the problem to the local community, have continued to work towards a solution that hopefully can be implanted by this summer. However, the site is very problematic, and the situation has been, according to expert geo-technical advice, exacerbated by unauthorised works at the slip site. The site presents real OH&S safety issues that are being worked through by DEPI officers, the geo-tech engineer and the contractor expected to undertake any works.

The safest option that guarantees public safety is the realignment of the path. This includes constructing the path at a sufficient distance away from the currently affected area so as to avoid any further short term rotational failures at the path, or above the path. Drainage will be managed to avoid previously failed landslip debris and manage erosion. Native vegetation will need to be removed but will be minimized as much as possible and all large trees will be retained. This option is currently being discussed with the community to ensure it aligns with community goals.

Wye River Foreshore Camping Ground

The new sewage treatment plant was completed and made operation in October 2013, in time for the camping grounds opening on Melbourne Cup weekend. It has now successfully completed a full year of operation, albeit with a little extra "feeding" while the camp ground has been closed.

The new amenities block modules did however, present some challenges, as the manufacturer was unable to meet their original supply deadline and we did have some teething problems. OCC staff worked with the manufacturer to solve these problems and to also complete other works on the buildings. Verandas, screening fencing and outdoor showers are being completed in time for the opening on Melbourne Cup weekend.

Throughout the park, the water reticulation to all campsites has been completely replaced and pressure pumps incorporated in the system, to greatly improve the quality of water supply to campers.

The OCC has also installed a dedicated Fire Hose Reels supply system and six new stainless steel fire hose reels to provide full coverage throughout the camp ground. As well, a 10,000 litre dedicated Static Firefighting water supply is being

installed at the entrance of the camp ground, for the use of the CFA in case of a fire. These works now make the foreshore camping ground fully compliant with the firefighting regulations under relevant state legislation.

Wye River Foreshore Picnic Table Furniture

The OCC will be working to repair the damaged foreshore furniture prior to the summer peak period. Unfortunately, repairs done to table settings near the foreshore toilets, prior to last season, were undone, when over \$700 of new timber, installed to repair the failing structures, was stolen. The OCC would be very grateful to hear from the local community about any incidents like this that have or do happen in the future.

Wye River – River Walk

Negotiations are continuing with the tenants at the Wye River Big 4 to formalise the “river walk” that is a condition of their Crown Land Lease. Currently, the lease requires that “access to the general public for the purpose of passive non-vehicular recreation is to be freely permitted. A slashed grassy walking track of at least 2.4 metres width which generally follows the southern river bank” is to be provided “and maintained by the tenant.”

The alignment of the path will be surveyed by the end of October 2014, so that a clear determination can be made of the alignment of the path, consistent with the obligations of the Lease.

The WRSCPA initiated the proposal to formalise the path, with a formed aggregate path, to improve access and remove any uncertainty for path users and campers alike, to the provision of the public access, by successfully applying to the Colac Otway Shire for funding, under its Small Town Infrastructure Fund. The OCC supported the WRSCPA in the funding application to the State Government for the remainder of the funding required. The OCC has agreed to contribute the cost of construction, with the funding expected to cover the cost of materials. There is no cost involved for the tenant with the construction of the path. **THE OCC is hopeful of reaching agreement with the tenant on the real community benefit, as well as benefit for Big 4 clients that the path will provide, and be able to construct the path in the first part of 2015.**

Garry McPike, Executive Officer, Otway Coast Committee 52376751; 0419 301 311.

Estuary Watch

The Wye River Estuary Watch group monitors our estuary on the first and third Sundays of each month and we have now accumulated two full years’ data for the Corangamite Catchment Management Authority (CCMA) data base. We are just one of a number of groups monitoring and gathering relevant data on the rivers and estuaries along our coast.

Amongst other readings, we record wind direction, river flow, sea state, high and low tide times, as well as maintain a photographic record of the estuary mouth from our photo-point on the ocean-side pedestrian bridge. You will all be familiar with the, sometimes quite dramatic, effect wind and tides have on the ever-changing flow direction of the Wye River estuary. CCMA now have a steadily accumulating history of such changes over each passing year.

If you are interested in joining our group, please contact me and I will put you in touch with our CCMA co-ordinator - Rose Herben.

Waterwatch

Waterwatch is a community engagement programme connecting local communities with the health of their rivers and sustainability and management issues.

On Sunday 7th September, Deirdre Murphy of Corangamite Catchment Management Authority conducted an introductory Waterwatch session with the Wye River EstuaryWatch group.

After a demonstration of water quality testing, we walked up the river for an aquatic macro-invertebrate survey. The variety found of these little 'water-bugs' - ranging from those very sensitive, to those very tolerant of pollution, gives an indication of the health of a waterway. Happily, the chemical analysis, and the presence of some of the more sensitive Stonefly, Mayfly and Caddisfly nymphs in the water samples we examined, indicated a healthy river.

We are hopeful of starting a Waterwatch group over the next few months to perform monthly water quality tests and six-monthly 'water-bug' surveys of our river. If you are interested, please contact me on the number below.

Yvonne Sheppard: Phone: 5289 0068

Otway Coast Tourism

Our group represents tourism from Wye River to Wongarra, mainly accommodation providers.

Regional tourism has been given a boost through Great Ocean Road Regional Tourism, which is working on some sub-regional tourism destination plans eg for Apollo Bay and Lorne.

We were saddened at the untimely passing of Michael Abbott, the long term treasurer, secretary and rock of our small group. Michael was always a happy and fun person who added a sense of helpfulness and great community attitude to those around him. He helped make Stephanie's Onion Bay a great example of an outstanding local tourism business. We extend our sympathy and best wishes to his wife Stephanie.

Another change has been the departure of Corinne Mitchell to Melbourne. Corinne has been a major contributor to tourism locally and regionally as the former chair of Otways Tourism.

Our current lobbying is for:

- Vicroads to trim vegetation and improve signage to elevate the Great Ocean Road to a truly world class tourism icon.
- Supporting the Kennett Association in their plans to redevelop the area near the Kennett shop, which is used by 15-20 buses daily for koala viewing.
- Further improving road closure events like the Marathon and Gran Fondo
- Re-opening of Marriners' Falls

Rex Brown, Chair

Local Goss October 2014

Anzac day was held with great pomp and ceremony. About 200 people attended and Master of Ceremonies, Dallas Yulton, ran the event with one of his nephews, laying a wreath for the Wye servicemen. Dot Hutchinson returned to Wye to lay a wreath, along with other locals, on behalf of all the community groups. The wreaths were all hand made, with local flowers, by a group of our local ladies.

Poor old Dot isn't all that well, but we know she is in good hands now that she's residing in the Lorne Nursing home.

Carolyn from the Pub and Marilyn, are both having a rough year with their health. Hopefully, we will see them both out and about soon...with Carolyn walking her new pup Hobbit.

Glenda's battling on ... and running the Kennett Store and Koala Café. What a trooper! Di Morrissey is out of action with a broken toe; she'd better be in full working order in time for our Summer Fete!

Unfortunately Stuart McPhee lost his battle with cancer. It just seems so unfair that after all he'd been through, he was not able to beat it. We send all our love to Jany and Lola. He was a lovely man with many talents, far more than most of us here knew! He was a firefighter in our CFA and helped so many of us locals with his unique knowledge and technical 'fix it' skills. We will sorely miss him.

Long-time local tradesman, Paul 'Willow' Williams, also lost his battle with cancer in the middle of the year. To Gill, Harry and Abby, we send our love and wish them well in their new life in Melbourne.

Although they live in Wongarra, we would always see Michael and Stephanie in Wye and Sep, managing their holiday home business. It was an enormous shock that in late July, Michael died suddenly. We will miss his energetic and exuberant personality. We send Stephanie all our love and sympathy.

Still on the unhappy note, Wye CFA Captain Roy Moriarty's father George passed away recently. He was one of the founding Captains of our Fire Brigade, back in 1970 and together with his wife Nancy, ran the Wye Store for many years. Though they had moved to Queensland in their retirement, they were constantly travelling around Australia and calling in at Wye. Our love and sympathy go out to Roy, Helen, Jane, Tess and Jack.

Dottie Boyd also passed away this year. Dottie must have been one of the oldest regular campers in the Foreshore camping ground, being there for over 50 years! Every year Dottie moved in the day the camp opened and left on closing day! She participated in community activities during her stay, particularly the CFA Auxiliary, and was one of the original 'old timers' of Wye.

Unfortunately I'm sure there are others in our community who are battling with their health, some managing to fight and some taken far too early...I just haven't heard. Our love to them all and their families.

We have had a number of our community leave us for new and exciting adventures.

Corinne and Pete sold their home and very successful accommodation business and are now permanent residents of Melbourne. They both were terrific contributors to our community; Corinne with the CFA Auxiliary, our local Tourism Board, the Foreshore Committee and the community garden. Pete was a volunteer firefighter with the Wye CFA, serving as secretary/treasurer as well as third lieutenant during his 15 years as a member. He also initiated the award winning Community Volunteers group, worked in the surf club and for local tourism. We pay tribute to their wonderful contributions and wish them well in their new endeavours.

Tom and Harsha, with baby Hugo have also left our hamlet to start a business in Mildura. Poor Sue and Pete; their grandchildren are scattered all over the place!

The Pub and General Store have had some staffing changes. Oliver has gone from the pub, Angus is back for the summer and Brian has moved in as head chef.

Toby will be leaving the General Store to run a new business with Dave and Richie in Melbourne.

On the happier note, we have had a baby born. Charnee and Trent have had a daughter, Olive, a sister for Rye. Lynne is delighted.

Evan and Sarah have had a little girl to join their family. The whisper is that Pete's buying a plane so they can get to Broome more often!

Although Denis and Mary Eckhart moved here permanently, they have disappeared on travels, for I don't know how long! The Tatchell's also joined the band of 'extended leave' travellers. Lots of other members of our community were lucky enough to escape our bitterly cold winter for shorter periods. It's lovely when they return to once again grace our shores!

Maryanne and Rodney celebrated their son Adam's wedding, both in Melbourne and then in Wye, and finally with a huge family reunion bash in America. That's some wedding. Congrats.

As to my knowledge we have two new permanent residents move into our hamlets. Daryl has made the BIG move to Wye ...from Kennett! We wish to welcome Brett and Catherine and their children, Alana and Brodie to Wye. They have moved here from South Australia. Brett and Catherine are working at the Big 4, while Alana and Brodie are swelling the number of children on the school bus to Lorne. We wish them a very happy life with us.

We are developing a number of very fit people in our community with Roy, Max, Mandy, Caz, Luke and Bev all participating in the full and half marathons. Good luck to them - they are crazy!

Yvonne, after the passing of her very old dog, is now the proud owner of Marco! Good luck with a "puppy" Yvonne! I hope we will see you relaxing as you walk he and perfect Meggy on the beach!

To all Wye, Sep and Kennett ladies; please remember that on the **4th Wednesday of the month, we have a Ladies Lunch at the Pub, 12.30 starting time.** Please note that everyone is welcome. There are no invitations or notices. We just love to see all the ladies of all ages. Just turn up.

The Busy-body

The Wye River & Separation Creek Progress Association Inc. hereby announces its

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday January 18th 2015, 10am, Wye Surf Club

The business of the AGM includes the adoption of the annual financial report and elections to fill vacant positions among the officers and Committee. This year there will also be some special business which will address the "special resolution" of the Model Rules, as identified at the AGM in January 2014.

Our principal objective in drafting new Rules is to bring all the Rules that apply to us into a single document for easier reference. Members of the Association will receive full information about these changes before the AGM.

The Progress Association prints material from a number of contributors, as provided. The views expressed are theirs and may (rarely) not coincide with those of the Association.

PROGRESS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM (FOR NEW & RENEWING MEMBERS)

November 2014

For renewal of membership for 2015

To ensure continuation of the work of the Progress Association, and the printing this Newsletter,

PLEASE (RE)SUBSCRIBE. Annual membership is \$10 per person or \$15 per family.

Please complete this form and send it, with your subscription to: The Treasurer WRSCPA, C/- Post Office, Wye River, Vic. 3221. Make cheques payable to WRSCPA.

You can also pay by direct transfer to our bank account: WESTPAC, Colac branch: BSB 033-637, Account Number 99-0081, Account Name: WRSCPA. *Following lodgement please e-mail wye.seppa@gmail.com advising whom you have paid for, the amount paid, and giving the information requested below.* This is important because we must, by law, keep a record of current members. Receipts will be issued on request.

Please indicate whether **Individual** or **Family** membership; **renewing?** (tick)

Name (first or sole member):

Names of family member(s):

Contact address (must be a valid postal address; one only here - see also below):

Contact phone number(s):

E-mail (one for sole member, up to two for family):

Local (Wye River/Separation Creek) address if not your Contact address (this one need not be a valid postal address):