NEWSLETTER Barwon Heads Association February 2015

Our first meeting for the year Monday 16th February7.30pm BH Hall

Following residents concerns in 2014 regarding their rates and whether they are exploitative, or even value for money, we are presenting a Rate Forum

"What you always wanted to know about rates but were too afraid to ask."

Our guest speaker will be Peter Hann, a senior valuer and founder of Hann MacKenzie Associates, recognised as one of the leading regionally based property consultancy and valuation practices in Australia. Peter has kindly offered us his expertise and advice in this area. This is an excellent opportunity for residents to understand how their rates are calculated and what we can expect in the future.

The new state government's election commitment for Barwon Heads. \$800,000 for pedestrian safety and traffic management.

VicRoads has been in contact with the BHA as it is now consulting with CoGG representatives regarding various options to improve pedestrian safety in Barwon Heads. Meanwhile we have begun consulting our community - talking to the Senior Citizens, Sustainability Group, Trader's Association, Primary School, ELC and the Arts Council. We will keep you posted as to the community consultation process under the auspices of VicRoads. Our expectation is that they will present their options at a BHA meeting in either March or April.

June Meeting 2015

We now have the Minister for Climate Change, Environment and Water, Lisa Neville, as our local state member and she is available to come to our June meeting. This will be an opportunity to address both local and wider state issues for those who are interested.

For those who may be interested February 21st 7.00pm

Senior Citizens 101 The Terrace Ocean Grove

Tim Silverwood award-winning environmentalist will talk about "ocean plastic" around the world and introduce the film "Baykeepers."

Part of the 2015 Sustainable Living Festival

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