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Tiny Hooded Plovers on McEachern's Beach

Chairperson's Report—2020

As Chairperson of the Friends of Port Moorowie I am pleased to report that we have had a productive year with some of our projects being completed ie the erection of the Tool Shed for the gardening equipment and also the 'Welcome to Port Moorowie' sign and others nearing completion.

Limited Committee meetings were held this year due to COVID-19 and the Government's restrictions on the number of people allowed to congregate in one place. However, we still managed to get things done by SMS, emails or telephone exchange. A reminder that our meetings are open to anyone in the community so please come along and see what tasks we decide on and then carry out throughout the year.

Like all small communities, there are a small band of committee members and volunteers who have been involved in most of these projects because they live in the town whereas those who live outside the town complete tasks when time permits - we are ever so grateful to everyone who has had some input. All tasks we are involved with are both time consuming and necessary to help to keep Pt Moorowie such a tidy town. Our reserves are well-maintained, generally by Allan Baker, amenity pruning is continual, recycling is a mammoth task, property checks take place each week and maintenance of the Native Coastal Display Garden is ongoing. Our thanks go to Allan Baker and Jan Radford & Cathie Joseph, in particular, who are involved with most of these tasks.

Major projects and associated events this year have included:

Native Coastal Display Garden

Jan Radford, together with her volunteers, has continued revamping, replanting, weeding, pruning, and watering the garden - it is very much an on-going project. Thanks go to Jan for co-ordinating and also to Cathie Joseph for their tireless work. There are a number of residents, particularly towards the western end, who certainly work at keeping the area in front of their own home well-maintained and our thanks go to them as well as the other residents and visitors on the eastern end who work diligently at maintaining weed control, etc and this work has been noted by many.

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Chairperson's Report (continued)

Recycling

This is an on-going task and brings us in a tidy sum each year. Thank you to Jan Radford & Cathie Joseph who have carried out this task during the year.

Property Checks

This is an onerous task as it has to be carried out every week of the year. The 18 landowners who have taken advantage of this service are very grateful for their bin relocation each week and a check on the security of their place. Again our thanks go to Jan & Cathie who carry out these checks.

Back to Basics Grant – NRM

This grant of \$4400 enabled us to hire contractors to come in and control box thorns, gazanias, Lincoln weed, beach daisy and onion weed. This grant money was spent in one visit with 4 personnel over 2 days. They experienced some difficulty in getting into some of the areas which were overgrown. Had they spent any extra time it would have caused problems as we only had a certain amount of money allocated. Thank you to Veronica Clayton for writing and executing the grant.



you well in 2021, our 27th year.

It has been an honour and a privilege to be Chairperson in 2020 and I thank you for your unwavering support, positive reinforcement of what our Committee does and personal thanks from many.

Jo DANIELS-WILSON

2021 Committee Members

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DSS Volunteer Grant

We won a grant for \$1500 through the office of Rowan Ramsey MP Federal Member for Grey and we were able to reimburse some Committee members for some petrol costs associated with the tasks they carry out. As well, we were able to purchase the tool shed, water tank, pump & accessories and retractable hose for use at the Native Coastal Display Garden. Our grateful thanks go to Mick Hincks for execution and completion of these tasks.

On behalf of the committee of the FoPM, I cannot begin to express my thanks to everyone in the community for their support this year. It has been a challenging year and we will continue to serve

We need your email addresses: We now have **92** landowners receiving their Whaler and other notifications by e-mail and in colour – no private email addresses are ever divulged so please email: thefopm@gmail.com to help to reduce the cost of postage – each time we send out the Whaler it costs us **\$109.00**.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Due to COVID-19 our fund-raising efforts were severely affected but nevertheless we have still continued with a healthy bank balance this year. Interest rates dropped considerably throughout the year

and therefore our investment account faced a shortfall of approximately \$900.

Major forms of income this year include:

Advertising	Memberships
Donations	Property Checks
Fundraising	Interest
Recycling of Cans & Bottles	YPC Progress Allocation

Once again, our expenses have been exceeding low due to the very generous nature of our committee members and landowners and we cannot thank them enough for all of their support over the past years.

Our main expenses have been:

Defibrillator – service	Donation to Charity - CFS Yorketown
Defibrillator – replacement pads	Postage
Repairs & Maintenance	Development Application – ‘Welcome Sign’
Registration of Trailers	

We are pleased that the community is embracing our association and we have begun working on projects which will be of benefit to all Pt Moorowie landowners and their guests. The first one completed was the ‘Welcome to Port Moorowie’ sign which we funded in full at a cost of \$1864.50. We are now working on Interpretive Signs for the walking trail and the Yorke Peninsula Council have very generously donated \$1000 towards printing costs. These signs will be completed within the next few months.

Jo DANIELS-WILSON Treasurer

Committee Meeting Dates

Reminder: Meetings are open to anyone in the community. Come along and make a contribution.

Meetings are held in the shed at the rear of:

**63 Marine Parade
Port Moorowie**

Please enter via the driveway gate.

ALL WELCOME

Dates: (Subject to change)

May 16th

June 20th

July 18th

August—No meeting

September 5th

Yorketown CFS Information Night by Jan Radford

Cathie Joseph and I attended a Country Fire Service Information evening as a thank you to those organisations who donated after the bushfires of 2019/2020.

We were shown around the building as well as the fire trucks and equipment that are used for various incidents other than fires eg crash rescues, hazardous material spills & leaks.

After explanations were given of many of the procedures and how much training is involved it certainly opened our eyes as many of us are unaware of how much work and training is involved in the operation of this voluntary organisation.

Our donation of \$1000 went towards two tablets & other technological equipment required in the setting up of these tablets in the fire truck cabins which are linked to all bases.

A new extra water tank of 48000 litres has been acquired for the airport which enables the small planes to fill up their tanks and take off much more quickly.

They have plans to expand the CFS building to have 5 parking bays & increase the size of some of the rooms.

We were reminded to prepare our property, have a bushfire plan ready & listen to advice on catastrophic days when we should leave our homes and go to a safer environment.

Finally, if you are able to be a volunteer, they will be very grateful of extra volunteers.



Photo Jan Radford

A small but enthusiastic band of volunteers participated in Clean Up Australia Day in the Port Moorowie Township on Sunday 7 March, 2021.

Whilst not a lot of rubbish was collected in terms of volume there was still some large pieces collected including an old tyre, polystyrene Esky lid, and a cement brick.

It was also noted that small pieces of plastic seem to be becoming a more frequent occurrence along our beaches, and a broader environmental issue across Australia and indeed the World.

Overall, Port Moorowie remains a relatively litter free township with many of the locals picking up any rubbish they come across as they go.

So, keep up the good work and look after the environment for us all to continue to enjoy.



Photo: Andy Dennard

Thanks to all involved.

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201
Likes

We have reached **201 likes** to our page. Welcome to our newest followers. If you haven't liked the page, head on over and follow the page..... we would love to have you on board.

Interesting Friends of Port Moorowie Facebook insights:

The audience is made up of 62% women and 37% male. 64% of access to the posts on our page are made from people in Adelaide with only 10% in the vicinity of Port Moorowie. Our farthest reach is Myanmar. I wonder if someone came for a visit to our lovely town and decided to keep an eye on the happenings.

Most posts have a reach of 140+ and the most recent popular post was the video which featured the welcome sign and the approach to our wonderful town.

If you have any content that fits in with the needs of the town that you would like to share please tag us or send a PM.



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The Friends of Port Moorowie are a local action community group based in the idyllic coastal town of Port Moorowie on the Southern Yorke Peninsula.

As volunteers we represent the community to build a vibrant and sustainable township.

Port Moorowie Rainfall:

15th Nov 20 – 1st April 21



Rainfall total: **93.5mm**



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