

Mary to "Paint the Town"



Campbell Town artist Mary Rowlands, pictured above, has been drawn in the ballot to paint the Man O' Ross Hotel in the "Doherty's Man O' Ross Hotel - Paint the Town Competition".

Mary is one of 24 artists who registered to enter the art competition. Each artist has been given one month to create a work of art from a different building or scene of Ross. All finished entries were received at the Man O' Ross Hotel on Thursday, 26th February.

Judging will take place on Saturday, 28th March by well known Hobart artist, Joan Humble. The winner will be awarded \$1,000 by the Doherty's Hotel Group.

All artworks will be for sale and remain on exhibition at the Man O' Ross Hotel until the end of March.

Eskleigh Men's Shed

The committee will be holding a meeting for all persons interested in the progress of the Eskleigh Community Shed at Eskleigh Home on the 24 March 2009 at 5.30pm. Persons attending will be given a detailed report from the committee regarding the progress towards the development of the Community Shed, an opportunity to review the planned modifications to the Eskleigh Coach House and review the proposed Rules of Association.

Ken Whatley Memorial Ride

Plans are being made to hold the inaugural Ken Whatley Memorial Ride on the 4th April, 2009 9.30-10.00am start, beginning at Page Transport Depot, Oaks Rd, Carrick, riding a short distance and return to the Page Depot. Money raised will be donated to Clifford Craig Medical Research into Diseases common in Tasmania. Entry fee will be \$10.00, free for children riding with parents or guardian.

Further details will be advertised nearer to the day.

There will be spot prizes and other attractions on the day.

State government punishing regional Tasmania

Independent Member for Western Tiers Greg Hall has today warned the State Government not to target regional Tasmania for savings in its bid to stem the budget deficit.

Mr. Hall said that he has had concerns raised with him that the Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal (RMPAT) was now refusing to have hearings outside Hobart in a bid to cut costs.

"I am advised that ordinarily the RMPAT would as a matter of course conduct hearings outside Hobart, where relevant, but this practice has now been abandoned as part of the State Government's cost cutting," Mr. Hall said.

"This new policy means that people in regional Tasmania, who have a matter before the Tribunal will now have to travel to Hobart for their hearings.

"This means that someone before the Tribunal who may have legal counsel and expert

witnesses will now have to incur thousands of dollars in additional costs by transporting everyone to Hobart.

"This is a ridiculous state of affairs and is penny pinching gone mad.

"Hobart is not the centre of the universe and Tasmanians in regional communities should not be severely disadvantaged in having to travel to Hobart for planning appeal hearings adding enormous additional costs in time and transportation.

"If the State Government wishes to make extra savings, it should start with the non-service delivery Hobart based burgeoning bureaucracy rather than punishing communities in regional Tasmania.

"I call on the Minister for Planning David Llewellyn to immediately reverse this unfair policy."

Dick expresses sadness

Dick Adams, the Federal Member for Lyons, today expressed sadness at the passing of former Legislative Councillor Colin Rattray who died recently.

Mr Adams said Colin had worked tirelessly for his constituents during his time in Parliament and continued to work with his daughter Tania who took over his position. "Colin made a difference to many families he helped during his time both in Local Government and the Legislative Council and was well loved" he said.

"He will be sadly missed by his family and all the people whom he served during his time as he had a lot more to give."

"I know Tania found it hard to start with, to fill his shoes - but is doing a wonderful job to be an excellent local Member like her father but I know she will miss his advice and support."

"I extend my condolences to Tania, his wife Norma and family."

Cressy Swimming Pool Car Boot Sale Fundraiser

The Cressy Swimming Pool will be holding their Car Boot Sale on 21st March, at the Cressy Pool car park, starting from 8am.

Anyone who has something they would like to sell, or donate is welcome to come along and book a spot in the car park, for a generous donation of \$10.

Items for sale will include

*Knick Knacks *Cakes *Biscuits

*Tools

*Toys etc.

There will also be having a sausage sizzle and the canteen will be open to purchase coffee, hot pies, pasties, sausage rolls, cold drinks and lollies.

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