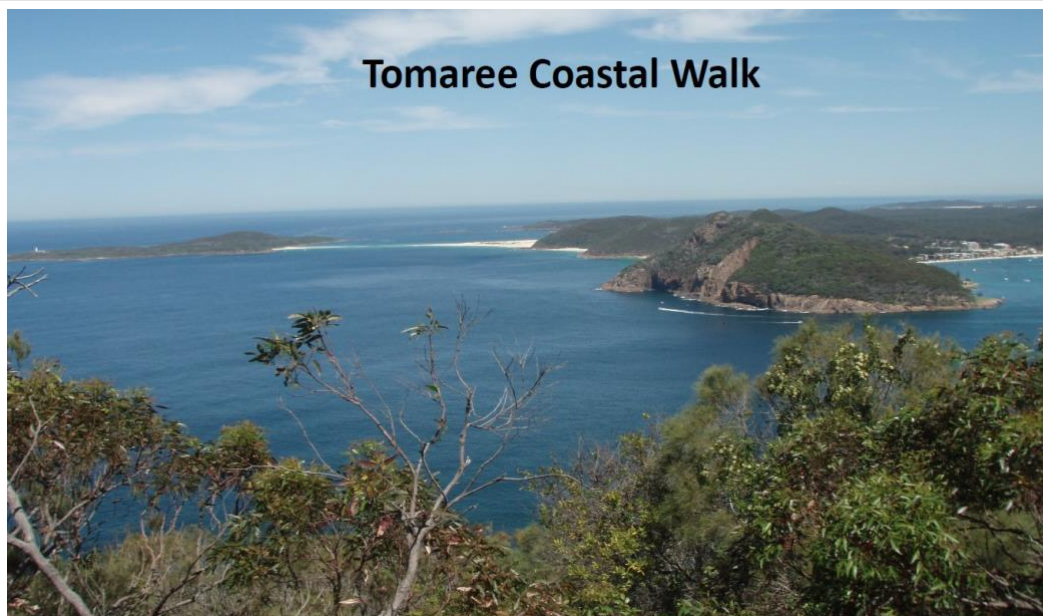




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Tim McHarg on the Tomaree Walking Trail

Tomaree Coastal Walk



To view detailed Master plan click [HERE](#)



Steps from Kingsley Beach West to Little Kingsley

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Club Announcements and activities

Birthdays:

none

Anniversaries:

none

Heads & Tails:

Don Whatham

Raffle/Joker poker:

Doug Craike
3min speaker next meeting

Member Duties 4th May

Door:

Dieter

Meet/Greet:

Peter McBean

Grace:

Dave

Intro Guest speaker:

Ella

Thank Guest Speaker:

Richard

Bulletin:

J. Cropley

Binos:

Geoff Diemar

Tim, an experienced bushwalker, gave us an enthusiastic presentation about the Tomaree Coastal Walk which will allow visitors once completed to undertake an iconic 20km walking experience that links Tomaree Head, the rocky coast and sheltered beaches of Tomaree National Park, with Birubi Point at the southern end of the walk.

The project will upgrade existing tracks and provide new links to complete the coastal walk.

Design and upgrades to Tomaree Head are also a key component of the project and will include walking tracks, lookouts, interpretation, and other visitor facilities. *The Head is currently closed until June to replace essential stairways.* The project has been delayed due to several unforeseeable events such as the Covid pandemic, Floods and Bushfires that required the National Parks resources to be deployed elsewhere.

During the last weeks there is new activity with Skycrane (helicopter) ferrying equipment and materials to the various construction sites.

REFLECTIVE GARDEN PROJECT UNDERWAY

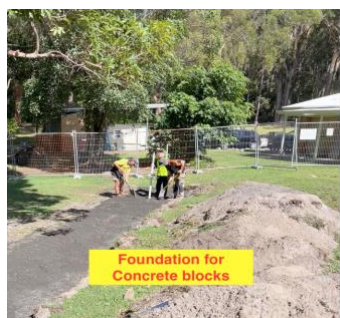
After almost 2 years of planning the Reflective-Garden project is well underway. Work commenced at 7.30am on Thursday morning, continued Friday and Saturday morning. Before work commenced, we're given a workplace safety briefing, which we need to always adhere to. Thursday was mainly "earthmoving" day with the crew from Johnsons's Anna Bay, doing a magnificent job, ripping out the old garden, levelling the new garden area and preparing the way for the retaining wall blocks. Equipment operator Mick and his team worked tirelessly to ensure a good result. We knocked off for the day at 3pm

Day two Friday

Another early start, more Earthworks and the completion of the retaining wall (see photos). We also had a visit from senior Hunter Health officials on Friday morning with our on-duty Project Managers Doug Craike and Geoff Diemar discussing the progress, plus reviewing the garden plans. We received the "the thumbs up" and very grateful thanks for our efforts so far. We also had a visit from Garden designer Meaghan. Rotarians who welcomed on site were President Don, Project Manager Warwick and our retired master plumber Peter Page who provided advice on the watering system and other plumbing requirements. Our concrete contractor, Julian Weedon and his staff commenced work on the form work for the concrete pour on Monday morning.

Day Three Saturday morning

Concreter Julian completed the form work and Doug, Geoff and Chris ensured the water pipes were laid. The photos will clearly show the progress made so far. Members are welcome to visit the site at the rear of the Hospital. Shoes are required to be worn, the Rotary sign on book needs to be signed and a hi-vis vest worn. Chris Bartlett is usually on site to assist with this procedure, vests are on site. Once the concrete has set, the project managers will be asking for volunteers for certain tasks. special mention to Doug and Geoff for their "powerhouse" efforts over the past three days. We also have a photograph record of the project. Regular reports will be provided on the progress.



Advance Notice:

Meeting for 8th June 2023 will be held at Fingal Bay Cellars: This meeting celebrates 161 years since the lighthouse first shone at Fingal Bay. A presentation by John Clarke 6.00pm followed by a meal of pizza, salad, and garlic bread @ \$25.- Visitors/Guests are welcome



Bunnings Barbecue 6 May 2023

John Stuhmcke (I/C),
AM: Peter Page, Jim, Peter McBean, Richard.
PM: Warwick, Geoff Robinson, Henk, Dieter

Next: Sunday 14th May (Mother's Day)