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George Town Tasmania “The Home of the Norfolk”



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Bass & Flinders Centre “Communique”

Hi all - Good morning

And what a beautiful morning it is here in George Town. The first day of the “daylight saving” and we all look forward to a vibrant future for **our** venture, the Bass & Flinders Centre.

The Centre is fast taking shape with many hours being put in by a variety of volunteers assisting us with the final touches of painting, some minor carpentry, laying of floor tiles and electrical installations (via qualified electricians). Without this help we would have not achieved our goals

I am as no doubt you are, extremely proud of what has been achieved in just under 12 months. You should all be proud of the success to date.

The road ahead will still be a little hard and no doubt rocky to travel, as nothing comes easy. It is unfortunate that we were advised recently (last week) that our labour force (Project Hahn) will finish with us within 2 weeks. This has occurred, for what ever reason, prematurely by about 5 months as they were scheduled to finish up around March 2007 albeit with a reduced workforce. To Gary Jones and his crew a very large THANK YOU. Without their participation and commitment, George Town would not have achieved this fantastic icon. I believe that some of the Project Hahn crew will still support us as volunteers and that is certainly appreciated.

The function that was scheduled for Friday 27th October 2006 commencing at 7pm has been cancelled and an alternative function has been scheduled for Saturday 18th November 2006 as part of the George Town on Show Festival. See further details this Communique.

Don Mackrill - Company Secretary - George Town Norfolk Pty Ltd

Dates to remember:

- 5th October 2006 - 7pm Volunteers meeting Bass & Flinders Centre
- 27th October 2006 - 2pm - Project Launch. (2pm Government function)
- 30th October 2006 - Planned opening for business.
- 18th November 2006 - 1 pm to 2.30pm “Meet the Crew of the Norfolk” and speak to them about their re-enactment voyages in 1998 at the Centre-normal admission fee applies \$2.00 per head.- no invite list just come along and enjoy
- 18th November 2006 - 5pm to 7pm “Ceremonial handing over of Replica Norfolk to Norfolk Trust” - Wine and Cheese function. Admission \$5 per head - cheese will be available as part of admission costs - refreshments will be available “at a cost per glass” .- as per earlier session- no invite list just come along and enjoy

Pavers at front of Bass & Flinders Centre - work has now been completed this area. The result is nothing short of fantastic - Thank you to Barry Collis, the Council Crew and Contractors who completed this much needed work.

The underground power is connected and work starts on the façade on Monday 2nd Oct.

In the next two weeks you should see a wonderful change to the front of your building



Donations in kind and cash

The list continues. At the Raising the Roof function, Watertite Security (Tim Digney) made a considerable cash donation. Thank you Tim that donation has been allocated towards the purchase of tables that will be used for a variety of functions at the Centre. There were also some other promises of future donations - these are all appreciated and we look forward to them coming to fruition.

Baden Long Builders assisted us previously to shorten the bow sprit. Quite a task of precision. My apologies for leaving you off the previous listing in the last News Letter.

Don't forget the next function on

27th Oct 06 — Opening Celebrations 7pm

\$5.00 per head BYO refreshments (and a glass). Light supper will be provided—don't forget to

advise Tim Cory of your attendance please (it will help with catering). 0424 013 723

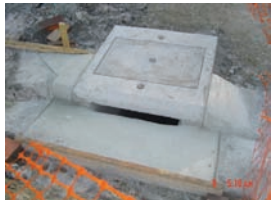
George Town Council upgrade the streetscape of Elizabeth St.

As part of the Council's project commitment, the Council workforce have commenced work on the streetscape including the provision of underground power. Whilst the front is somewhat untidy it goes without mention that the work involved required the whole front being ripped up and large pipes installed to take the runoff of water from some of the shops at the bottom end of Macquarie St. Yes the bottom end of Macquarie Street shops in some cases drained through a small earthenware pipe via the walkway (easement) between Mario's and the Bass & Flinders Centre.

The size of the pipe was totally inadequate to carry rain waters from the roofs into a collection area for disposal. Previously the water at the time of a heavy rain backed up in the walkway and slowly drained away by seepage.

In association with the large pipes immediately in front of the Centre, a larger cement pipe has been installed across Elizabeth Street to take the collective waters into the disposal system.

We thank Barry Collis and his crew who have work tirelessly to get this task completed. Once that is completed the pavers will be laid and we will commence the upgrade of the facade



Sump installed on eastern side of road to collect waters for disposal.



Size of new drains

Old earthenware pipe



Power - from this on the front



To this—U/G



Front view at moment - guaranteed to get better

HELP WANTED:

George Town Rotary have shown an interest in assisting us with the upgrade of the toilets. The matter goes before their Board tonight (Monday) and we sincerely hope that they can assist us.

Should any other service club or organisation be able to "give us a hand" to what will be one of George Town's tourism icons, please contact Don on 0418 362 232

Volunteers Day-each week:

Commencing this Thursday 14/9, we will be scheduling work for volunteers (on a Thursday) who can assist with painting, cleaning up etc. The Centre will be open from 8.30am till 3.30pm for these tasks.

Project Hahn are continuing with their efforts but their participative numbers have somewhat decreased. To support their good work on Thursdays we are looking at the above.

Should you be available please contact Don: on 0418 362 232

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