

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.
“Protecting the quality of living on Tamborine Mountain”

Newsletter for December, 2014

With the year drawing to a close, 2014 did not provide a change from the regular bombardment of potentially threatening attempts to change the character of the mountain and the lifestyles we value. We live in hope.

Save Guanaba committee..... This group has continued to meet regularly to discuss further issues emanating from the Mt. Tamborine Camping & Activities Pty. Ltd. application for extreme sports on the 500 acre lot on the mountain’s eastern escarpment. Among discussions held were traffic issues for Guanaba, Henry Robert Drive and Mystery Road, further analyses of submitted applications and letters, proposed meeting with mayor and councillors and future possibilities for the site.

Submissions have been forwarded to the ACCC regarding misleading and incorrect marketing material in the developer’s brochure and follow up postcard which were widely distributed across the mountain.

The group has a website – saveguanaba.com. There is also a page on Facebook.

The mountain’s water issues..... The Minister for Transport and Main Roads has replied that the long awaited report from the Main Roads Department about water haulage tankers using mountain roads has been received. Currently this is confidential whilst Council seeks legal advice.

The water committee is currently collating problems to do with water bore levels dropping or running dry. There are many people reporting that the water table seems to be dropping, so in order to have some firm data, they ask that anyone so affected please fill and return the attached flyer. It would be helpful if you could refer this to anyone you know who has a bore.

In the last month, a bunch of intrepid citizens spent a week, 24/7, monitoring tanker movements on and off the mountain. This produced some startling results. How Council will handle this large drainage of the mountain’s aquifer (more than actually unfortunately permitted) is anyone’s guess.

2015 is shaping up to be an interesting year.

On behalf of TMPA, have a safe festive season, and enjoy the Christmas – New Year celebrations.

Jeanette

