Date: Tuesday 19 November 2019  
Time: 2:00pm  
Meeting Room: Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Office, 1 The Strand, Takapuna  
Venue: Level 3  
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       Takapuna

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The following notes prepared by Takapuna Croquet Club, to be presented as a three minute speaking spot by Anne Mortimer, at the Business Forum, prior the DTGB Business Meeting on Tuesday 19 November 2019, to aid the club’s bid to help resolve the parking problems in the Auburn Reserve, for the mutual satisfaction of the Devonport Takapuna Local Board, the four stakeholders and members of the public. The stakeholder’s parking difficulties in the reserve are well known and were recently forwarded to the new DTLB members for their perusal, two weeks ago.

Submitted with this request are four photos - two showing both sides of the entrance to the Reserve, one diagrammatic (not to scale!) plan of the sixty current “P180” parks & one photo showing a sample blue parking line, making a restricted park instantly visible against the other white parks.

Takapuna Club respectfully suggests a complete re-vamp of the entire Reserve parking and that it is brought to the attention of the public by way of new more appropriate signage, giving the stakeholders a fair chance of finding a park when they need one. All parks are currently full by 7.30am.

The stakeholders currently don’t get a chance to find an empty park and use their permits.

The current parking signage no longer works and was erected 4 years ago under totally different conditions in Takapuna. We think it needs to be replaced with more effective wording to allow the stakeholder users’ of the Reserve, a fair go.

The croquet club would like to be able to use the first ten of the 14 parking spaces on the northern side, between our clubhouse and Auburn Street. This is shown as the green area on the diagram. The parking lines on the road for the 10 parks would be painted blue for instant recognition.

Appropriate Croquet signage could read:

‘Croquet Permit Parking Only

8.00am – 5.00pm 7 days’

So from a total of 60 parks, minus 10 set aside for TCC, minus the two disability and minus the one P10 park, that still leaves 47 parks. Out of those 47 the other three stakeholders may request a park or two but at the time of writing I have only heard from Bex from PHAB, who advises PHAB desperately need an extra two disability parks (they only have one at their gate)
and would like five designated parks for their office workers. So that still leaves 40 parks. The second dis-ability park is outside Girl Guiding.

After the stakeholders’ needs are met, there would still be around 40 parks available for the convenience of the general public who may want to visit the gym, the physiotherapist or the print shop over the road. Hence the suggestion that short term parking (P 60) is more appropriate during the week.

We believe it is essential that these parks be changed to ‘P 60’ (they are currently P 180 which allows parkers to be creative and take risks with their parking which in turn ties up these parks all day. The carpark is generally full by 7.30am on week days. These P 60 parks would retain their white painted road markings.

Appropriate signage for the white parks could read:

P 60
8.00am – 5.00pm Mon – Fri
Excluding Public Holidays
Parking Permits Exempt

We believe that the suggested wording for the two signs above is clear, uncomplicated and user friendly.

This would also be fair and reasonable for local residents who park their cars in the reserve overnight – they would just need to vacate the blue parks by 8.00am each day.

In both instances the times start at 8.00am which is also the time the Wardens start work and so could conveniently start chalking tyres.

We sincerely believe the above suggestions should satisfy all parties, the DTLB, the stakeholders, and the public who could still use the white parks for convenient short term parking, rather than all-day parking which surely it was not intended for.

We note that the newly opened up non-free parking around the Anzac/Auburn corner (between Sargeson & Alba) is under-used, probably because at the moment it’s worth risking a parking ticket in the Auburn Reserve!

Our membership over a twelve month period varies between 50 & 65 members. Our subscription runs from September to September which is when we start to rebuild after natural attrition, and this year we have invited the residents of the Sargeson & Alba Apartments, to come on over on 1st December to meet the neighbours, experience Croquet, and hopefully many will join our club.

Luckily none will require a carpark!

Thank you for your time and consideration that you give to our suggestions.

Sincerely
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AUBURN RESERVE PARKING SUMMARY:

Total parking spaces: 60 (includes 1 dis-ability at PHAB & 1 dis-ability at Girl Guiding)

All parks are P 180 except for one P 10 minutes by Girl Guiding

4 Stakeholders: Takapuna Croquet, Takapuna Play Centre, PHAB & Girl Guiding.
Defending safe Habitat
Keeping The Chenier Shell Banks Safe for Wildlife

Photography-Philip Moll
‘Birds eye’ view of Shoal & Ngataringa Bays

A SITE OF SIGNIFICENT WILDLIFE INTEREST
Charles Street - access to Wildlife Area

- SEA Marine 1
- SEA Marine 2
- Busway Mitigation Project
- CHARLES STREET
- Shell Bank
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AUP - GIS map showing Charles Street (SEA) Significant Ecological Area - Marine 1 shell bank
The Auckland Unitary Plan identifies Shoal Bay as a Significant Ecological Area with Marine 1 & 2 designations

- The SEA status reflects that the area is a ‘Matters of National Importance’ under s6(c) of the RMA. That section requires Council to provide for protection of areas of significant indigenous vegetation and significant habitats of indigenous fauna.
Shell Chenier Beach Banks

14.02.2013
SSWI designation to protect habitat for wildlife including these 5 bird species

NZ Dotterel  Banded Dotterel  Wrybill
Caspian Tern  Reef Heron

SSWI = Site of Significant Wildlife Interest & the secretive Sixth - The Banded Rail
Wrybill – A visitor from the South Island

Status – Threatened - Nationally Vulnerable - UCCN Red List
Endemic – Ramsar Wetland Convention Status - 1% visit Shoal Bay annually.

21.04.2015
Site Fidelity-NZ Dotterel - Banded research bird
YG-OW

Conservation Status - At risk Recovering
Endemic - Only found in New Zealand

25.03.2013
Roost (rest)sites close to feeding sites

Safe place to socialize

25.03.2013
Pied Stilt Nesting Site
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Just two signs for whole of Shoal Bay

14.05.2013
Council, DOC & Forest & Bird Signage

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Forest & Bird Educational signs
Charles Street – Various recreational interests
Attachment A

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Variable Oystercatcher Family

8.12.2013
Vulnerable chicks
Charles Street Fence Posts with Chains Protects shell bank from vehicles

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2014
Fence Posts with No Chains

Charles Street New Fence No Chain - 2019*

*No Chain on Fence - motorbikes now able to access important bird nesting & roosting site and damage SEA Marine 1 Chenier shell barrier bank.

Pest control signage
No dogs on shellbank Bylaw change 2015
Forest & Biodiversity signage
Vehicles accessing shell bank

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Spot the Gap!
Bar-tailed Godwit

Status - At Risk

International Migrant
Other Issues for the Wildlife in Shoal Bay

184 Bar-tailed Godwit 04.01.2018

• 112 Bar-Tailed Godwit HIGH TIDE ROOST 12.03.2016
Competing Recreational Interests.
There are always solutions.

SIPOS x 206
VOCs x 15
Pied Stilt x 23
Caspian Tern x 2

HT 11.59  3.4M  03.03.2017
Shoal Bay Considerations

- SSWI – Site of Significant Wildlife Interest
- RMA – Coastal policy Statement
- AUP – Area of Significant Conservation Value
- ASCV – Area of Significant Conservation Value
- SNHV – Significant Natural Heritage Value
- NEW ZEALAND is a signatory to
  - The Ramsar Wetland Convention
  - The International Biodiversity Convention
Acknowledgements

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