



GRAFFITI – THE GOOD THE BAD AND THE UGLY

TRRA Meeting 9 March Nelson Bay Bowling Club



Graffiti has become one of our most challenging and expensive crimes on the Tomaree Peninsula. As a contribution to community discussion Tomaree Ratepayers and Residents Association, at its next monthly meeting, will present a variety of perspectives on dealing with it.

Ted Bickford, who as a volunteer can be credited with almost singlehanded responsibility for removing graffiti in the Foster/Tuncurry area, will present his experienced outlook and remedies.

Another viewpoint will be provided by David Krieg, a 22 year old former student of Tomaree High School with a special interest in art, who has studied in the United States and travelled extensively throughout the world. David will present a suggestion of encouraging graffiti as an art medium in contrast to the destructive vandalism of public and private property so prevalent in the local area.

Helen Smyth, the Community Safety Officer from Port Stephens Council, who has been responsible for developing its recent Draft Graffiti Management Plan and liaising with other Councils, will outline Council's initiative and the provisions of the Local Government Act.



The evening will be an excellent opportunity to explore the issues, possible directions and solutions and legal and financial implications involved in eradicating graffiti. TRRA will be inviting representatives of local youth, Councillors, Nelson Bay Business Chamber who have recently initiated a graffiti removal program for the CBD, and Nelson Bay Town Management.



The meeting will be held at Nelson Bay Bowling Club Auditorium at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 9th March.

All are welcome.