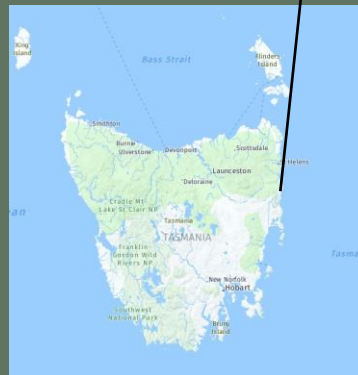
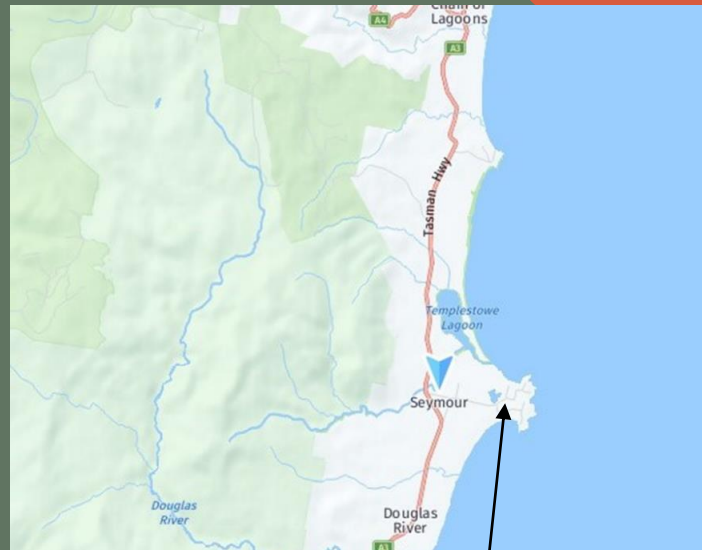
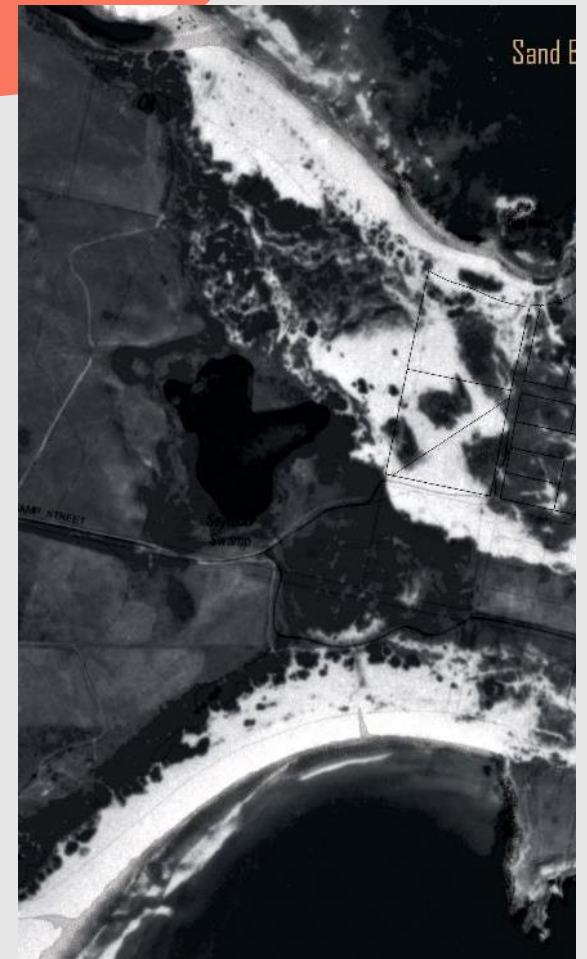


SEYMOUR WETLANDS RESTORATION PROJECT



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HISTORY

SEYMOUR SWAMP WAS THE SITE OF THE CLAY QUARRY FOR THE KILN ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE POINT.

THREE ATTEMPTS AT CONSTRUCTING WHARFS WERE ALL TAKEN BY THE SEA, WITH SHIPWRECKS AND LOSS OF LIFE.

A SAND BLOW FORMED ACROSS THE POINT DUE TO DISTURBANCE CAUSED BY FIRE AND GRAZING AND AN ATTEMPT AT RUTILE MINING



IN THE MID 1980'S

THE SEYMOUR COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP WAS FORMED

Parks and Wildlife assisted with establishing the carpark and signage for the protection of the Green and Gold frog.

The group has continued as a loose association of concerned residents and landowners.

Attempts to drain the swampland in 1990 for further subdivisions were stopped and community input for a new Development Plan was sought by Council.

IN 2002

Michelle Mentz and Peiter Van Der Woude formed a group to work in west Seymour undertaking weed management and replanting around the Seymour Wetlands.

Private land surrounding the Seymour Wetlands was classified as Land for Wildlife.

IN 2015

EFFORTS TO DEAL WITH GORSE RESTARTED

It grew to 4.5 m high covering 16 ha.

The Tasmania Fire Service carried out a fuel reduction burn in 2016.



EARLY WINS

STABILISING THE SAND BLOW.

TRAPPING FERAL CATS THAT WERE THREATENING NATIVE BIRDS AND OTHER WILDLIFE.

EXTENSIVE TREE PLANTING ON THE POINT.



IN 2016

THE SEYMOUR COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP (SCAGI) WAS INCORPORATED

**PRIMARILY TO DEAL WITH THE
GORSE INFESTATION IN THE
WETLANDS.**

**THE BURNT GORSE STORKS
WERE MULCHED, AND
REGROWTH GORSE WAS CUT
AND PASTED.**



**SCAGI CONTINUED TO LOBBY THE
GOVERNMENT TO INCLUDE THE AREA INTO
THE SEYMOUR CONSERVATION AREA**

DURING 2018-2019

**MANY FIELD DAYS AND WORKING BEES
ENSUED**

**FOLLOW UP CUTTING AND PASTING AND
SPRAYING OF REGROWTH GORSE WEED
WERE KEY CHORES**



IN 2020

NATIVE TREE
PLANTING BEGAN
BESIDE THE WETLAND
FROM LOCALLY
COLLECTED SEEDS

*Environmental Management Plan for
the Seymour Conservation Area 2023*

https://www.scagi.org/_files/ugd/ebbc25_08849f2f4bd7407aaec8bfc889c606a7.pdf



IN 2022

THE PROJECT AREA
WAS RECLASSIFIED
TO BE PART OF THE
SEYMOUR
CONSERVATION
AREA

DOUBLING THE AREA

IN 2021

SCAGI
RECEIVED THE
LANDCARE
GROUP AWARD.



THE FUTURE

We plan to continue to hold regular working bees.

All are welcome to come and assist with weeding the new trees, weed control and more

A NEW VINEYARD DEVELOPMENT COULD NEGATIVELY IMPACT THE NEARBY DOCTORS CREEK AND TEMPLESTOWE LAGOON.

SCAGI IS NOW WORKING WITH THE VINEYARD IN THE HOPES OF ACHIEVING THE BEST OUTCOMES FOR THE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT.

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Or just to walk around the wonderful wetland

