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From climate anxiety to community action

Huon Valley Council is calling on local community groups, clubs and residents to host a session of **The Adaptation Game (TAG) Huon Valley** in their neighbourhood — a creative and practical way to help locals prepare for the impacts of climate change.

TAG isn't like any other board game. Built based on research and tailored especially for the Huon Valley, it uses local maps and realistic scenarios shaped around our neighbourhoods and our natural hazard risks. The aim is to work together to “live through” a potential real-life emergency, such as floods, fires and storms, and generate ideas for how we can support each other, and the broader community, to thrive in a changing climate.

Huon Valley Mayor Sally Doyle said TAG is a powerful, community-focused antidote to climate anxiety. “Something powerful happens when we come together as a community – it reminds us that we have incredible strengths, knowledge, and networks that we can use in facing these challenges together,” Mayor Doyle said.

The Huon Valley community came together at the end of last year to launch The Adaptation Game (TAG) Huon Valley edition at the Cygnet Town Hall. It marked the beginning of an exciting initiative to build community resilience through creative, collaborative problem-solving.

Launch participant Jill captured the game's impact: “Playing the adaptation game makes you realise there's things we can do individually and as a community. It actually empowers you by seeing what might happen in your community and what you can do to ameliorate it.”

The Adaptation Game is developed by Amble Studios and the Huon Valley edition was partially funded by the Tasmanian Government's Community Climate Change Action Grants.

Play TAG in your community

Residents interested in hosting or participating in a TAG workshop in your local area are invited to register their interest at: www.huonvalley.tas.gov.au/tag

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