

#### **APRIL 2005**

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# GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

## **GENERAL MEETING**

To be held on Wednesday, **20**<sup>th</sup> **APRIL** 2005 commencing 8 pm Greenwich Community Centre, 46 Greenwich Road

#### **AGENDA SUMMARY**

Apologies, Minutes, Matters arising Updates and discussions on current major Development Applications Councillors' Reports, Committee and Office Bearers' Reports

Please note: Meetings start promptly at 8.00 pm and conclude at 10.00 pm (or earlier) for supper.



Newsletter

#### **HEARING IMPAIRED?** We will

be testing a new PA system at our meeting. Come and hear more!

#### GCA OFFICER BEARERS FOR 2005-06

President Pam Palmer
VicePresidents Richard Muller
Rob Starling

Secretary Merri Southwood

Treasurer Gus Herstik
Committeee Sally Lancaster

Nicole Khoury Alan Winney Brian Cole John Gebler John Dowey Alison Bird Jill Geddes John Gebler

Mary-Ed Hartnell

Thank you to last year's committee for their past efforts.

# **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS Greenwich Shops**

Plans have been submitted for the current newsagency to be demolished and redeveloped as two shops plus two first storey flats. The adjacent chemist is planned to also become two shops with two commercial offices above. Currently, the Lane Cove shopping precinct is looking at its future. What direction do you see for Greenwich shops? Your ideas welcomed.

# **Billy Blue**

Tesrol has withdrawn its current plans for the Billy Blue site. Wait for the next version!

#### **Duntroon Ave/Australand**

After losing twice in the Land and Environment Court, Australand have come back to Council with 3 options for the Duntroon Ave site that all go outside the building envelope prescribed by the State Government. Further, all 3 proposals include heights in excess of 8 storeys and up to 16 storeys and are just as dense as the previous proposal that was rejected by the Land and Environment Court!! In their latest proposals, Australand have only re-arranged the bulk of the buildings to achieve their desired density. In other words, they have done nothing to reduce the scale or the density despite being told by the Land and Environment Court to properly address these issues.

For full details see www.greenwich.org.au

#### **SHELL**

You may have noticed the recent removal of two more tanks at Shell. It appears to have been completed without any complaints of noise from the neighbours.

#### **GREENWICH LIBRARY**

More reasons to visit! 17% of the collection has been updated in the last year including increases in teenage fiction, adult spoken word and DVDs. Library hours: Tue 2-7pm, Wed 1-5.30pm, Thu 2-7pm and Sat 9-1pm.

#### LANE COVE TUNNEL POLLUTION

The tunnel's huge eastern chimney stack will be located on the Pacific Highway just near Osborne Rd. The exhaust fumes from over 50,000 cars per day will be collected and belch unfiltered from the chimney. This pollution does NOT simply rise and disperse into the atmosphere. Rather, studies show the fumes fall to the ground and will then "bounce" down the hill towards Greenwich, especially when a normally beautiful northeast breeze is blowing.

Lane Cove Council continues to pursue the RTA to incorporate proven filtration technology within the Lane Cove Tunnel. If you are concerned about this issue, we invite you to be the Association's representative on the Lane Cove Tunnel Action Group. Phone Pam on 9437 6417.

#### AUSTIN ST/WOOLWORTHS

If or when this goes ahead there will be a

huge impact on the community. The Lane Cove Library will be relocated across the road (cost to community \$1 million) while the new library shell is built (cost \$3 million) and fitted out (cost \$9 million). The Austin St carpark will become a construction zone forcing many people to come to Greenwich shops from nearby areas. Great for business, but this will impact on traffic and parking at the local shops. Finally, converting current assets into cash may not be good news for Council's finances. Woolworths will be paying only \$200,000 (indexed) rent a year during the 99 lease period for an area around 4,000 sq m. Contrast this with a small shop in Lane Cove of just 50 sq m paying \$50,000 a year.

## **SOME LOCAL EVENTS**

More info from Council on 9911 3555 or at www.lanecove.nsw.gov.au.

Walks, Talks and Bushcare Training 2005 Native Grasses Workshop, 14th May Fungi, Fires and Findings, 24th May

# **Parents of Learner Drivers Workshop**

Parents wanting to help their teenagers become safer drivers can attend a free workshop being held at Lane Cove Council 6-8pm on Tuesday 19 April.

#### Youth activities

visit www.lanecoveyouth.com.au

## **GENERAL MEETINGS FOR 2005** Pam Palmer, President

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Merri Southwood, Secretary

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