

### **OCTOBER 2005**

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# GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

## **GENERAL MEETING**

Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2005 commencing at 8pm Greenwich Community Centre, 46 Greenwich Road

#### **AGENDA**

Apologies, Minutes, Matters arising
Updates and discussions on current major Development Applications

# "BILLY BLUE" FORUM

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.

# "BILLY BLUE"- proposed subdivision

The developer, Tesrol, has submitted another plan to Council in relation to Billy Blue, this time to subdivide the site into 8 blocks. The existing heritage-listed gardens will be destroyed and most of the grounds surrounding the hostel building will be removed. It will be left on just a small block of land with a site density almost 150% times that which Council specifies for flats.

The developer has not shown its hand as to what type of dwellings it will put on the 7 other blocks or whether it intends to further develop the Hostel.

It seems that Tesrol is now trying to achieve by "incrementalism" what it failed to get Council to agree to in its previous application.

We believe that residents should be extremely concerned about the potential end result, particularly given previous attempts by this developer to build a totally inappropriate and unacceptable 8-storey monolith on this site. Residents are asked to attend the next GCA meeting where the full implications of the proposal will be explained in greater detail.

We have invited Councillors to be present at the meeting to hear your concerns.



# FOGS Fun Run <u>NOT</u> on again...

Contrary to what we advertised last newsletter the FOGS Fun Run had to be cancelled last month. Unfortunately, there has been a

change to Police Department policy and community activities such as this are now charged for police time such as ensuring safe passage on major streets like Greenwich Rd. As well, our own marshals on less busy streets are now required to have had RTA training. Coupled with insurance increases, these requirements have made the Run unviable. FOGS will be looking for different fundraising activities in the future. Any suggestions welcome. Call Denis Smith 9906 3579

#### WATERBROOK DEVELOPMENT

A Community Liaison Committee has been established through Council to produce a newsletter to ensure neighbours are updated. But don't worry if you haven't received it yet! It's been left to the developer to publish and distribute the newsletter and nothing's

happened so far. We have offered to assist by publishing the news on our website. That offer has not been taken up by the developer.

Meanwhile, the demolition is almost complete and trucks are removing the waste from the site. Expect truck movements to increase and to continue for the next two years, possibly 6 days a week! Any complaints about the trucks and noise, etc should be phoned through to the project manager (9552 1400) and to Council (9911 3690) or the GCA.

#### **DUNTROON AVE**

The developer expects to have the plans to Council by December. Local residents ran a wonderfully successful campaign and the developer should be commended for (in the end) an excellent community liaison process.

# **BUSH REGENERATION in Greenwich**

Three volunteer Bushcare Groups continue to meet in Greenwich, restoring our beautiful reserves. New members welcome.

Manns Point: Third Saturday of each month 9am -12.00. Heavier work on steep slopes. Fabulous views and very rewarding results. Meet at the lower car park by the Sailing Club

**Manns Point:** Fourth Thursday 8.30-11.30am Fine weeding on flat and easily accessed site. Beautiful native grasses and views. Meet at the lookout, Manns Point carpark.

**Greendale Street:** Third Saturday 1pm-4pm. Make a difference to this beautiful valley

which is crying out for lots of tender loving care. Meet at the footbridge, St. Giles Ave.

Phone LCC Coordinator Michelle 9911 3579

# **COMPETITION**

# Who is the resident that has lived in Greenwich the longest?

It is surprising how long some residents have lived in this "emerald suburb". We are looking for:

- Oldest person in Greenwich
- Person with longest continual residence
- Person with longest total residence

We hope to complete this for our December meeting. Letters will be sent to those nominated. Call John Gebler on 9436 2874

## HALL AND PRESCHOOL CHANGES

The preschool is negotiating to have the Kindergarten Union take over its management. As a result, the KU is discussing with Council a new lease for the use of the Community Hall. The GMCCA is involved in the discussions and we hope that any change of arrangements will not reduce the availability of the Hall for the original intended purpose to which so many residents have contributed over the years, as a hall available for use by all community groups, whatever their activity. Updates will be posted on our website.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Please remember that every new membership means the GCA is able to have a more influential voice. Please use the form below.

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