



Jerrabomberra Newsletter

A Community Newsletter for Residents and Friends of Jerrabomberra. Published Periodically. July 2008.

Presidents Report

Some mixed news on the development and infrastructure front, as the JRA continues to push politicians and governments hard to get roads and development right for our community.

Dunns Creek Road

Of great concern to the JRA, was the support given by Queanbeyan's Councillors on Wednesday 2 July, when they voted to send the proposed Googong development through to NSW Planning for approval.

Our worries stem from the fact that Googong could now proceed without the transport strategy being completed, and without any community consultation on the outcomes of the traffic study.

The Queanbeyan Age's front page last Friday (4 July) carried articulate and impassioned pleas of the JRA's President and the Vice President to the Queanbeyan Councillors, asking they consider the effects the Googong development will have on Jerrabomberra when Edwin Land Parkway is completed within the next two years.

We pointed out the NSW Department of Planning stated:

"Prior to any rezoning of Googong, Tralee South, Environs and Poplars

being finalised the Council is to develop a transport strategy to service the new residential and employment lands at south Jerrabomberra and Googong."

(my emphasis added)

When Council was confronted by us with this information and reminded this was a direction from the Department of Planning, did they finally give due consideration to the residents of Jerrabomberra?

Unfortunately, no.

The JRA has great concern over the lack of attention given to the clear need for Dunns Creek Road to be a condition of any future development.

Jerrabomberra must not become a by-pass for Queanbeyan. We must be bypassed.

Nor should our suburb become the main road to Googong.

The JRA's position is Dunns Creek Road **MUST** be a condition of consent for the Googong development, and the future construction of Dunns Creek Road **MUST** be linked to a specific dwelling approval number within Googong. No weasel words or vague escape clauses should be accepted or tolerated.

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Queanbeyan City Council Mayoral Report

Healthy Communities Project Funding

Queanbeyan Council is inviting applicants for the 2008/09 round of Healthy Communities Project Funding. Applications will be accepted up until Friday, 15 August 2008 for projects that address issues identified in the Queanbeyan Social Plan. Applications for project funding are to be submitted to the Council's Healthy Communities Committee with projects to be approved for funding by the Queanbeyan City Council.

Queanbeyan Council is implementing its Social Plan through Healthy Communities, which is a framework recognised by the World Health Organisation for Community Action on Social Issues.

I look forward to Council receiving applications from eligible organisations that will assist in projects to be funded under this Scheme. For any further enquiries, please phone Philippa Moss on 6298 0202.

Edwin Land Parkway

The design and construction of the Edwin Land Parkway from Jerrabomberra to Cooma Road at a cost of \$8m should commence during the current financial year. The Federal Government provided Council an amount of \$6m last year as part of its Roads to Recovery Funding. Council has acquired most of the land required for this roadwork to be undertaken. There have been some issues regarding yellow box wood land and other issues, however, these have now been resolved and that should enable Council to complete its design works and call for tenders for the construction.

Bushland Protection

Council has allocated in this year's Management Plan an amount of \$50,000 for continuing work on the protection of urban bushland at Stringybark and Jerrabomberra. This will go some way towards undertaking urgent and necessary work in this area. Lanyon Drive construction design work is being undertaken by

the RTA and the ACT Government for the construction of Lanyon Drive from Tomsitt Drive to the Monaro Highway. This work will be jointly funded by the NSW RTA and the ACT Government and I would expect that this work will commence in the not too distant future.

Final Message

As this will be the last occasion that I will be contributing to your newsletter, may I express my appreciation to the Jerrabomberra Residents' Association and the people of Jerrabomberra for the support and assistance they have given me during my period as the Mayor of Queanbeyan since 1991. It has been a pleasure for me in representing the community since my first election.



FRANK PANGALLO MBE
MAYOR
QUEANBEYAN CITY COUNCIL
15 JULY 2008

With Strong Local Support a Community Bank is Assured

Jerrabomberra has long needed a bank to support its burgeoning population that now tops 9,000 and after many attempts to encourage one of the big five to our suburb our pleas have gone mostly unheard with only an ATM, the only visible sign of a financial institution, to serve the entire suburb.

In February 2008 a public meeting was held to gauge public support to build a Community Bank. This meeting was well attended by an enthusiastic group of local residents and many of those that attended showed an interest in joining

the Steering Committee. Brian Brown (JRA) and Ray Chappell (Bendigo Bank) met recently and have appointed a Chairperson, local resident Peter Bacon and a Secretary/Treasurer, another local Kim Howatson, as the first step to building the Steering Committee.

As the original convener of this project Brian Brown will be staying on in an active supporting role and will be very ably assisted by mentor Allan Donnelly, Deputy Chairperson of Braidwood/Bungendore Community Bank who has an in-depth understanding of the

Community Bank Model and the campaign process.

We will shortly be appointing two more local residents to the Steering Committee and will have a meeting to decide the remaining members within the next couple of weeks. If anyone is interested in participating on the Steering Committee, now is your chance, please contact Brian Brown on 6299-9613.

This project, when completed, will continue to invest money back into the community well into the future.

JERRABOMBERRA 1988 – 2008

Vice President stands aside to run for Council

Since first arriving in Jerrabomberra in 1995 I have been a member of the JRA. A community with strong leadership and common goals with a unified voice is a community to be heard and respected by all levels of government and to this end the JRA has become a tenacious and effective advocate for all Jerrabomberra residents.

After many years of making submissions and representations to Queanbeyan City Council (QCC), ACT Government, NSW State Government and the Federal Government as an individual or on behalf of the JRA for the betterment

of Jerrabomberra, I have come to the conclusion that the Jerrabomberra community is deserving and in need of an effective advocate from within the Council Chambers, so it is for this reason that I am running for Councillor in the QCC elections on 13 September.

As a result of this decision I will be standing aside from my duties as Vice President of the JRA from now until election day. If I am successful and elected as a Councillor I will resign from the JRA completely. It is a very hard decision for me to take as I have put much of my life into this organisation for well over a decade,

however even as a member I could have a conflict of interest and not be able to assist the JRA and thereby the Jerrabomberra community on issues pertaining to our community; this would defeat the reason for running for Councillor.

Whatever the future holds for me you can be in no doubt that I will continue to be a strong and persistent advocate for Jerrabomberra, my community, my home.

Brian Brown
Vice President, JRA

FRIENDS OF STRINGYBARK HILL (FOSH)

Do you live in the vicinity of Stringybark Hill?

Do you use the Stringybark Hill Reserve?

To Bushwalk?

To walk your dog?

To exercise whilst enjoying the natural bushland vista?

If so, then you are already a friend of the Stringybark Hill Natural Bushland Reserve.

If you are interested in being a part of a great community group, spending the occasional day outside in the fresh air planting trees, tackling invasive weeds or helping repair and regenerate degraded areas of your local bushland, then **FOSH** is for you!

No monthly meetings!

Free!! Absolutely no cost to join!

Keep up to date with what's happening in your own backyard.

To join, just call the Brown Greeny (Brian Brown) on 6299-9613 or email ambjbrown@bigpond.com

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The JRA has written to NSW Planning Minister Frank Sartor to, yet again, express our concerns regarding Council's lack of commitment to Jerrabomberra residents regarding Dunns Creek Road.

Lanyon Drive

The JRA is pleased to see construction has started on the duplication of Lanyon Drive. This

work is long overdue and been a daily reminder to residents taking the slow, painful drive to work that our facilities and infrastructure have lagged well behind those of other suburbs. When good planning is sidelined by bureaucracy, political excuses and business greed, it's the residents that come off second best. The JRA now urges the NSW and ACT Governments to ensure the whole project is completed quickly to minimise disruptions to commuters.

Passing

Our community lost one of its great advocates and leaders last month, when John Bradford passed away on June 30. John was JRA President in the early 1990s and as a long time Jerrabomberra resident, he worked hard for our community and helped shape the lifestyle we currently enjoy. Our condolences and deepest sympathies are extended to his family and friends who will miss him dearly.

Rotary & JRA Time Capsule Project 2008

“A Snapshot of Jerrabomberra in 2008”

Celebrating 20 years of Jerrabomberra and 10 years of Rotary

Would you like to participate in a time capsule project that will be buried this year and not opened for 25 years until 2033?

The time capsule will be secured during special celebrations in November 2008 commemorating 20 years of Jerrabomberra and 10 years of the Rotary Club of Jerrabomberra. Your contributions can be included in this community project by purchasing a registered kit for \$10, which includes a secure envelope and instructions on preserving your chosen contents in the capsule.

In keeping with the theme “A Snapshot of Jerrabomberra in 2008”, your contributions could include anything of interest to you and your family, or to the community at large. Suggestions for memorabilia that could be placed in the time capsule could also include:

- A personal portfolio
- A family grouping
- A street or area group that socialises together
- Local sporting clubs and teams
- Other societies and clubs
- Local school contributions, eg class groups and school achievements

How do you get involved with this project?

Contact Anne Davis (Jerra Rotary) on
0417 438 423

Or

Lyn Edwards (JRA) on
6299-8199



Your invitation

PROBUS CLUB of JERRABOMBERRA

COMBINED

Why not come along to your local mixed Social and Friendship Club for Active Retirees who are not employed on a full time basis?

Regular meetings, outings and activities for friendship and social interaction.

Jerrabomberra Community Centre 10.15 am, Third Wednesday every Month

Meetings feature a guest speaker, morning tea and social activities followed by lunch (optional). Monthly newsletter and organised activities.

For further information : ph 62559732

PROBUS CLUB of JERRABOMBERRA

JRA Inc Membership

A reminder to all residents that membership to your JRA remains the same affordable \$10 for families and \$5 for singles. Membership entitles you to monthly copies of the JRA's Minutes, which provide relevant information on projects, protests, etc being addressed or monitored by the local community's action group. So fill out a membership form now! Mail the form, with your payment, to P O Box 132, Jerrabomberra or drop it into the new JRA box located next to the JRA noticeboard outside Woolies. You'll be pleased with the benefits...and you'll be assisting the continuing commitment of the JRA in strengthening Jerrabomberra's community.

Applicant details Surname/Family name

Given name

Address details House number..... Street Name.....

Home phone Work phone.....

Signature of applicant.....Date.....

Email address.....