



Jerrabomberra Newsletter

A Community Newsletter for Residents and Friends of Jerrabomberra. Published Periodically. November 2009.

Presidents Report

After a very long 2 year wait, Queanbeyan City Council has finally released the plans for the Edwin Land Parkway extension from Numeralia/Stringybark Drive through to Old Cooma Road. This will provide Jerrabomberra residents with quicker access to Karabar and Queanbeyan. Construction is planned to begin before Christmas and should be completed by the end of 2010.

Whilst the JRA welcomes the additional entry/exit point and looks forward to finally alleviating traffic numbers on Carolyn Jackson Drive and Morella Ave, our association does have some concerns.

The JRA has long held the view that the ELP should remain a local (two lane) road and despite the Googong/Tralee Traffic Study concurring, the plans have been designed to incorporate future upgrades to dual carriageways. The JRA believes Dunns Creek Road should fulfil the role of a Queanbeyan Bypass and will continue to advocate for its construction.

We are deeply concerned that a signalled pedestrian crossing from the Park to the Jerrabomberra Shopping Village hasn't been

considered as part of the design process. The impact on this crossing point will undoubtedly be enormous and safety concerns must be alleviated prior to the opening of the ELP extension. What is required is a pedestrian activated signal crossing and it needs to be operational prior to the completion of the extension.

It is pleasing to see that the plans have incorporated wildlife underpasses however it is unlikely these will be effective without fencing to channel fauna towards them, however Council have assured us that the fences are just missing off the plans that have been released to the community.

Whatever your thoughts, it's important that anyone with concerns or suggestions have a say during the consultation period. The plans are available on the Council website and are also on display at the Jerrabomberra Shopping Village. Council has run a number of information sessions with our community during October, however written submissions close 13 November 2009. Make sure you check out the plans and let Council know your views.

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Community Bank pays dividend to community

Congratulations to the following local groups which shared in the \$5,000 worth of Grants provided by the Jerrabomberra Community Bank Project:

Queanbeyan Little Athletics Club –
Equipment for On Track

Fellowship Baptist Church –
Jerrabomberra Community Outreach

Jerrabomberra District Softball
Association –
Softball Equipment Upgrade

Queanbeyan District Girl Guides –
Camp Support

1st Jerrabomberra Scouts –
30 Chairs

Jerrabomberra Public School P&C
Association –
Garden Patch Water Tank

Twin City Church –
Carols by Candlelight

NSW SES – Queanbeyan Unit –
Project Whiteboard

Jerrabomberra Tennis Club –
Sponsorship of Junior Tournament

Jerrabomberra Touch Football –
Equipment

The community enthusiastically embraced the Jerrabomberra Community Bank Project Grants with almost \$13,000 worth of applications submitted. With such high community interest and demand for these grants the Jerrabomberra Community Bank Steering Committee had a very difficult time allocating the money to all these very worthwhile applicants. However, it illustrated clearly the very great need in our community for ongoing funding of this nature.

The Jerrabomberra Community Bank Steering Committee often refers to a Community Bank as an AFM, an Automatic Funding Machine, which the community can regularly make withdrawals for much needed community funding.

If a Community Bank were to become a reality in Jerrabomberra then fully funding these and many similar applications would become a reality and a regular part of our social and fundraising calendar here in Jerrabomberra.

This \$5,000 of grants made available by the Jerrabomberra Community Bank Project is just a small sample of what can be achieved if we can work together in securing our very own Community Bank here in Jerrabomberra.

Don't let these be the last grants that our community receives from the Jerrabomberra Community Bank. Please consider how great it would be to have our very own Community Bank and the ongoing benefits this would provide the whole community.

Visit the Jerrabomberra Community Bank Project website www.jerracb.com.au and find out what more you can do to help our Community Bank become a reality.



JRA WINE TASTING

Friday 27 November 2009

Jerrabomberra Community Centre

7pm – 9pm

Micael Angelosante will present the following wines

In conjunction with Local Liquor, Oaks Estate

Lone Crow Wines, Geographe Bay, W.A.

Forester Estate Wines, Margaret River, W.A.

Granite Range Wines, Glenrowan, Vic

Di Giorgio Wines, Coonawarra, S.A.

This wonderful selection will provide an excellent opportunity to fill

Your cellar prior to the Christmas and New Year festivities

Admission is FREE to all JRA members

Others – by gold coin donation

Lucky door prize

Cheese & Biscuits

A wonderful night of Community Spirit and Fun

Queanbeyan City Council Mayoral Report

Welcome to my regular column which aims to keep Jerrabomberra residents up to date on initiatives Queanbeyan City Council is dealing with.

Message from the Mayor

As you would have noticed over the past month, Council has undertaken the public exhibition phase for the extension of Edwin Land Parkway. The public exhibition phase ran for one month, with submissions closing on Friday 13 November 2009. This project has been a long time coming and personally I'm glad it's finally occurring, as I'm sure the people of Jerrabomberra are. This extension will provide Jerrabomberra residents with an alternate route in and out of the suburb and significantly reduce travel time between Jerrabomberra, Karabar and south Queanbeyan. It is proposed that a two-lane single carriageway road be constructed with an extra lane for slow traffic being constructed in the west-bound lane at the Karabar end of the extension. Residents directly affected by the

extension have been contacted by Council and made aware of what will happen during the construction period. Council will place the project out to tender in the coming weeks and hopes to make a decision over the Christmas/New Year period. As part of the public exhibition phase Council held a public information session in Jerrabomberra on 29 October and had the plans on display in the Jerrabomberra Shopping Centre for one month. I hope residents took the opportunity to look over the plans and Council is currently assessing the feedback received.

Dunns Creek Rd

Jerrabomberra residents should be aware that Council is committed to investigating Dunns Creek Rd. While it wasn't included in the Googong and Tralee Traffic Study (2031) Council recognises the importance of the road. It wasn't included in the Traffic Study because it was recommended by the consultants that such a road wouldn't

be required prior to 2031. Council has requested that a further report be provided on the development of a broader Queanbeyan Transport Strategy to accommodate the Googong and Tralee Traffic Study (2031), the proposed construction of Dunns Creek Road (including public consultation, identifying the preferred route, costings and a timetable for land acquisition and construction) and a range of transport issues listed in a report to Council. Council has also committed to enter into an agreement with the Village Building Company which has agreed to fund 50% of the project, up to a maximum \$31.4 million, subject to certain conditions.

Christmas closedown

As this will be my final message in the JRA newsletter prior to Christmas, on behalf of Council I would like to wish all residents a safe and happy Christmas. Council will close all non-essential operations from 4pm on Thursday 24 December 2009 until Monday 4 January 2010.

Busy Term 3 for the Jerra School P&C

Last term the Jerrabomberra Public School held 2 main fundraisers - one for the children and one for the adults! The first was held on 11th September was a walk-a-thon, which was held in conjunction with Fruit and Veggie week. The children received sponsors from family, friends and neighbours. The children walked from the school to the David Madew oval and around part of the lake. Each "house" had a mascot, which included Victor Viking, Crackers from Village Building Company, Bidji (south pacific games), Monaro Panther and Happy Heart from Heart Foundation. We also had a special guest - Summa Strawberry from Sydney Markets. Our main sponsor was the Fyshwick Markets who supplied fresh fruit and a sausage sizzle. The Queanbeyan

Police also attended and let off the siren to start the walk. The weather was perfect and the children had a great day.

The second fundraiser was the annual Jerrabomberra Public School Trivia night that was held on Saturday 26th September in the school hall. The theme this year was "Oh What a Team". This event has been held each year since the school began and is a highlight for the Jerrabomberra Community. The tickets sold out on the first day and some people have already advised that they want to come again next year. Our major sponsor was Village Building Company and the Platinum sponsor was Jerra Community Bank Project. Many other businesses donated prizes for the night.

Thank you to the Jerrabomberra Community for supporting the Jerrabomberra Public School P&C.

Do you have a child commencing school next year? Jerrabomberra Public School is currently arranging orientation for kindergarten students for 2010 - please contact the school to collect an information package.

FREE BUSINESS LISTING

Did you know that if you live in Jerrabomberra and run your own small business you are eligible to have a **FREE** advert listing on the JRA website?

For further details or to place your ad, contact the JRA at:
www.jra.asn.au

JRA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 18 November 2009 @ 7.30pm

Jerrabomberra Community Centre

Election of Office Bearers

Guest Speakers Daniel Barwick, Captain and David Doblinger,
Senior Deputy Captain of Queanbeyan City Brigade, NSW Rural Fire Service

Membership table for new or renewal of membership

Come along and have your say



CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

TwinCity Church is pleased to announce that we

Will be presenting

Carols by Candlelight

On Saturday 5 December 2009 @ Madew Oval

Activities begin at 4.30pm

Carols at 8pm

Fireworks Display at 9pm

There will be a choir, Brass Band, Fantastix, Live Entertainment

Hot Food & Nibbles, Ice Cream, Cold Drinks, Tea & Coffee

Free face painting, Free fairy floss, Free rides

Glow Sticks & Candles for sale

Childrens Performances



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 phoneWork phone.....

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

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