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Guildford Association E-Newsletter AUGUST 2018

The President and Executive of the Guildford Association Inc. welcome members to the Guildford E-Notice Board, issued monthly to members.

NEXT GA MEETING TUESDAY August 21, 2018, 7.30PM MECHANICS INSTITUTE, 20 MEADOW ST, GUILDFORD

TREE LOSS IN GUILDFORD – how you can help

Professor Giles Hardy will speak about his research into the decline of flooded gum trees on the Guildford floodplains at our next meeting on August 21, 2018, 7.30pm at the Mechanics Institute.

The trees have been in decline for around 10 years and many have died. This is clearly visible when crossing the Helena River Bridge into or out of Guildford on Great Eastern Highway.

Professor Giles, director of the State centre of Excellence on Climate Change, Woodland and Forest Health, has been investigating pathogens affecting these trees and possible ways of remediating them.

He will talk about his trials on the floodplains, and potential steps forward, including involving the community in a possible injecting program.

All are welcome to come and hear this vital talk.

PERTH AIRPORT UPDATES

The public comment period for Perth Airport's new runway project runs until 24 August 2018.

The GA has distributed information in the area via a letterbox drop to assist residents in making comments on how to make achievable changes to reduce some of the aircraft noise in Guildford and surrounding communities. The letter is also available on our Facebook

page Guildford Association Inc, or you can email ga@guildford.asn.au requesting a copy.

For more information on the new runway visit http://www.newrunway.com.au

To register a **complaint** about **aircraft noise**, please contact the Airservices **Noise** Enquiry Service: Telephone: 1800 802 584 (freecall). Telephone: 1300 302 240 - (this line is only available Eastern States time) or email airservicesaustralia.com and complete an online complaints form.

HERITAGE LISTING UPDATE

In the coming weeks Guildford residents and ratepayers will be receiving a letter from the Heritage Council of WA, very similar to the survey sent out earlier this year by the City of Swan, asking about support for State Heritage listing for the town. This is an exciting development for Guildford! The listing will not impact your ability to renovate etc, it is more about future developments being required to respect the streetscape and surrounding buildings.

GRAFFITI CLEAN UP

Noticed Graffiti in your area? The only means of graffiti control is quick removal. The City of Swan employs contractors to clean graffiti, however, it needs to be reported. Can you help? Please ring the City on 9267 9800

TUNE IN - GUILDFORD SONGFEST IS COMING!

The Guildford Association is again hosting the Guildford Songfest on September 15 and 16, 2018. Last year we had an overwhelming response to our invitation to choirs to perform - this year we have even more! Already 36 choirs or vocal acts have registered to perform and we will again be showcasing beautiful old Guildford buildings such as the Town Hall, St Matthews Church and Hall, the Wesley Chapel and now also the beautiful Guildford Grammar School Chapel. We have a wonderful line up of choirs who will present all genres of singing from Barber Shop to Gospel to Pop to Sacred and everything in between. Please tell your friends and family to come and consider offering vourself as a volunteer.

The program will be posted on www.guildfordsongfest.com

We need people to be on the doors of the venues, to monitor parking at the venues, to direct choirs, put out chairs and a host of other tasks. If you can help, please contact Yvonne Henderson on 0409 880 544 or send an email to ga@guildford.asn.au

STIRLING SQUARE UPGRADES

We are pleased to advise that additional seats and lighting for Stirling Square will be included in the City's 2018-2019 budget.

The number of benches provided will be dependent upon cost; however, it was proposed the existing 2 seats with the town crest in casting are refurbished (e.g. re powder coating and/or timber replacement) and the 6 benches that do not have the town crest be replaced with the town centre crest. It was proposed that any remaining funding will be used to provide 2 extra seats near the War Memorial and 2 seats near the rose gardens. The town centre crest will be used when installing any new seating in Stirling Square.

We thank the City of Swan and the Stirling Square Implementation Group for their work on this matter. The Stirling Square Working Group first met in 2016 and had members from Guildford community groups, Australian Garden History Society (WA Branch), National Trust of Australia (WA), Heritage Roses in Australia (Perth Branch) and the City of Swan. They worked on outstanding elements from earlier plans and updated this with current community needs and have now formed an implementation group to oversee these plans, on which there will be community consultation.

NEW PLACE MANAGER

The Association congratulates the new Guildford Midland Place Manager Vera Waldby on her permanent position with the City of Swan. Vera can be contacted about community projects and other community ideas on 92679267 or email Vera.Waldby@swan.wa.gov.au>

MIDLAND OVAL FEEDBACK

All ratepayers in the City of Swan have been sent a feedback form on the Midland Oval Redevelopment business plan. The feedback form should be sent to the City of Swan by 31 August, 2018. The form asks ratepayers whether they object to or support the City continuing to buy and sell property within the Midland Oval precinct. You can also submit a comment at www.newjunction.com.au and look at the business plan.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT REVIEW

Phase two of the Local Government Act 1995 review is now underway. You can keep up to date on developments and opportunities to participate by visiting the Department's website. (http://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/LGAReview)

HAVE YOUR SAY

The City of Swan's draft Local Planning Strategy is now available for public comment. The document sets out the vision and long-term planning directions for the City. Submissions must be lodged by 4pm on Monday, September 3, 2018. Go to https://www.swan.wa.gov.au/.../Draft-Local-Planning-Strategy

HELP WANTED

The association urgently needs volunteer distributors to help with delivery of our quarterly printed newsletter, particularly in the South Guildford area. Very easy to deliver a few newsletters in nearby streets while you are out walking the dog or pushing a pram! If you can help, please drop us an email at ga@guildford.asn.au

Don't forget...WELCOME PACKS

The GA has welcome packs for anyone new to the area. If you have new neighbours, email ga@guildford.asn.au and we can provide you with a pack to give them.

AGM – SEPTEMBER 18, 2018 TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

The September meeting is the AGM. Membership for 2018-2019 is due by September 1. Please ensure your membership is up to date – scroll down for application form.

A reminder that at last year's AGM, members unanimously voted to support a rise in annual membership fees from \$15 to \$20, effective September 1, 2018.

The reasons behind this decision were that last year members were increasingly having to personally finance campaigns to fight off proposals such as the McDonald's behind the Guildford Hotel and the closure of Guildford Library.

All membership fees go towards the aims outlined in our constitution – to preserve and protect the heritage and environment of our town and to enhance the amenity for all residents and ratepayers.

FACEBOOK PAGE

The Guildford Association now has a Facebook page to help get information out to the community. Please like us on Facebook – search for Guildford Association Inc.

AROUND TOWN

Swan Guildford Historical Society Due to the temporary closure (for painting) of the Visitor's Centre, the SGHS "Blood Sacrifice" display is unavailable until redecorating is complete.

Guildford Potters The gallery is open seven days a week from 10am – 4pm.

The Garrick Theatre's next production Silver Lining, from September 27 to October 7. Go to garricktheatre.asn.au for details.

St Matthew's Messy Church is on the 4th Sunday of the month in St Matthew's Hall at 4pm. Join in craft, stories, songs and a shared meal. For enquiries Tel 92791141.

Toastmasters Guildford meet in the hall of Wesley Chapel located on James street between Olive and Meadow street, every second Monday from 7pm to 9pm. All are welcome to drop by and take a look.

<u>Application for</u> <u>Membership for the Guildford Association Inc</u>

or Membership Renewal 2018-2019

I hereby apply for membership/renewal of membership of the Guildford Association Inc. I support the goals of the Association as stated in the Constitution*. Name(s): Address: ___ Telephone Number(s):_____ Email: Signed_____ Date / / Membership is \$20 per person from September 1 2018 – September 1 – 2019. Please mark the following I can assist the Association □ and have these skills..... Renewing Member New Member □ **Payment Method** (made out to Guildford Association Inc) Cheque (Guildford Association Inc. account at the Commonwealth Bank Direct Banking □ BSB: 066 109 ACCOUNT: 00900704) Other Please forward vour completed membership forms to

The Guildford Association Inc., PO Box 115, Guildford. WA 6935.

*Note .The Constitution can be viewed on the Association website

http://www.guildford.asn.au/