

Port Mandurah Residents' Association

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Sundowner at “The Mediterranean”

5.30pm Thursday 9th March 2006

The Cut Golf Club, Port Bouvard

There are exciting changes happening regarding our social events in 2006. At least the next couple of bi-monthly Sundowners will be held at The Cut Golf Club’s “Mediterranean” Restaurant at Port Bouvard. Great venue, great service and great food! No need to book for the Sundowners – just turn up. Friends welcome, but no children please.

Our sponsor The Mediterranean will give a 10% discount to PMRA members and friends at our Sundowners on both bar and restaurant prices. Consider staying for dinner in “The Med” after the Sundowner.

Licensing requirements at MOFSC have necessitated a change of venue and given us the opportunity to support one of our sponsors.

BRIDGES OVER THE CANAL ENTRANCES & ESTUARY MOUTH

Are you aware that the Mandurah Foreshore Focus 2020 planners have proposed five low profile pedestrian/cyclist bridges over the various canal waterways, in addition to a bridge across the estuary entrance with a clearance height of only 10 metres?

The Port Mandurah Residents’ Association does not support this proposal because we believe:

1. The bridges will restrict boat access, especially yachts.
2. The building and maintenance of these bridges will be a massive cost to ratepayers that cannot be justified.
3. The bridges will introduce security issues for residents, i.e. easy access to properties in the vicinity of the bridges; police warning of anti-social behaviour and pursuit difficulties; problems with items being thrown and people jumping from the bridges.
4. There will be a loss of existing amenity, which will adversely affect property values.
5. It would be difficult to hold watercraft for a swinging bridge (as proposed for the northern entrance to the Port Mandurah canals) whilst waiting for the bridge to open and would a pedestrian/cyclist or the vessel have priority?

6. People could jump from the bridges proposed over the canals with resultant injuries and litigation.

Should you not want these bridges please let your Councillors know by writing to them with your objections, and complete and return the Official Forms to the City of Mandurah by 3rd March 2006. These forms are available from the Council offices in Mandurah Terrace or by download from the web at www.mandurah.wa.gov.au/council/planning/comment

The address to send an email to the Foreshore Focus 2020 Group inside Council is mff2020@mandurah.wa.gov.au □

LITTER IN THE CANALS

Stephen Smith, the recently appointed Waterways & Canals Manager for the City of Mandurah organised a clean-up of the Port Mandurah canals during the week of 20th February 2006. The intention was to collect floating debris as well as debris that had sunk to the bottom. He also proposed to look at cleaning-up excessive weed build-up, although this is not generally a function of the council.

In future, clean-ups will occur approximately fortnightly.

If you are aware of areas of the canals with litter problems please advise Stephen at Stephen-S@mandurah.wa.gov.au PMRA is very pleased with the energy displayed and co-operation given to it by Mr Smith. □

Port Mandurah Canal Precincts and the PMRA Committee

Please contact the following 2006 Committee members for information and assistance on any matter pertinent to your canal precinct:

<i>Eunamara Retreat, Santavea Mews, Solstraale Place</i>	Committee: Bert Bennett – 9581 5469
<i>Cambria Island Retreat</i>	Committee: Carol Hudson – 9535 9537
<i>Aztec Island Retreat</i>	Committee: Jill Randall – 9582 9914
<i>Leisure Way, Syrenka Turn, Ragamuffin Point, Brindabella Crescent, Nyari Court</i>	Committee: John Randall – 9582 9914
<i>Leighton Place, Siska Court, Amity Cove, Perie Banou Close, Weatherley Place, Reverie Mews</i>	Committee: Peter Hick – 9535 5098
<i>Finistere Island Retreat, Picaroon Place, Genevieve Court</i>	Committee: Rene Jorgensen – 9534 7348
<i>Starfire Close, Arika Mews, Condor Mews, Leeuwin Place</i>	President: Stephen Dean - 9535 5370
<i>Bermuda Place, Piccolo Place, Fistina Ramble</i>	Treasurer: Terry Rohde - 9581 5813
<i>Leighton Road East, Quayside Close, Parkwater Cove, Sovereign Gardens, Baruna Court</i>	Committee: Thelma Jessop – 9535 8781
<i>Social Function Co-Ordinator</i>	Committee – Carol Hudson – 9535 9537
<i>Sponsorship Co- Ordinator</i>	Committee: Bert Bennett – 9581 5469

PMRA Committee

At the AGM, held at the Mandurah Offshore Fishing & Sailing Club on 12th January 2006, the new Committee for 2006 was elected.

We welcome new Committee members Bert Bennett, Rene Jorgensen, Terry Rohde and John Randall all of whom bring a range of skills, and ideas (and hopefully lots of time) to the PMRA.

We take this opportunity to thank Faye Grey, Rick Oswald, Ron Taggart and Norm Selsmark for their significant contributions to the PMRA during their periods on the Committee and for their offers to help as we go forward. And we would be remiss if we did not acknowledge with thanks the preparedness of 2005 Committee members Stephen Dean, Jill Randall, Thelma Jessop, Peter Hick and Carol Hudson to continue on the Committee. Thanks to you all!

We have also received offers of assistance to the Committee from some members, and for this we are most appreciative.

If you have an issue that you believe needs to be considered, please contact the Committee member for your area. □

Committee Brain-Storming Weekend

The new committee, together with their partners [a total of 17 people], arranged with our sponsor the Warren River Resort to have a weekend retreat from Friday 10th February to Sunday 12th.

The meeting started at 9am on Saturday. New committee members were brought up-to-date with all the activities of the Association and then sub-committee planning sessions were held. The new members were staggered at the extent of the activities of the Association. The Committee meeting reconvened on Sunday and ran from 9am till 1pm with some items still uncompleted. The members paid their own way [albeit at a much reduced rate].

Your Committee achieved a great deal and plan to have the trip annually. The Committee is now ready to take the Association into its next phase of operations.

One resolution was to appoint a paid [honorarium only] part-time administrator to carry out the regular administrative duties of the Association. We therefore seek any resident or person known to a resident who is interested in taking on this function to contact Jill Randall on 9582 9914.

Another major decision was to discontinue the log-in user name and password and the "members only" section of the Association's web-site. Instead, we plan to offer various discounts to members. □

Good neighbour tip - Healthy Waterways

Despite blame being laid on the farmers for polluting our waterways, latest studies are showing that over 40% of nutrients are coming from 5% of the land area around the Estuary. Most is coming from storm water from built-up residential areas. The good news is that canal waterways are not the great contributors some would have us believe.

However, algae build up in the canals is from excess nutrients entering the waterway and it is possible to reduce this by reducing both the amount of water and fertilizer that go on our gardens. Applying the right amount of organic fertilizer and only watering to keep the root-zone moist will significantly reduce the amount of Phosphate and Nitrates that cause water quality issues in our canals. Your garden will not suffer – give it a try. □

Renewal Notices

Invitations to renew memberships are being distributed with this newsletter to members whose subscriptions expired on 31st December 2005. □

Canal Christmas Lights Prize Cruise

On the evening of Friday the 3 February, the residents of the winning canals, being the Starfire Close/Aztec Island precinct and the Eunamara Retreat precinct had an excellent cruise on our sponsor's Mandurah Ferry Cruise boat "Mandjar" with its crew of Darryl & Sandy.

A total of nearly 100 people attended and the two hours sped by, especially with the excellent finger food sponsored by The Mediterranean Restaurant and prepared by their new Chef David Scott and served by their staff Becky and Peta. Refreshments were donated by your Association, with some contributions of wine by Members. It was a most successful event, so much so that we couldn't get the guests off the boat on its return!!

Some similar type event will be held next year, so get your neighbours planning for an even bigger display of lights. One canal is already organising a lights committee to arrange the purchase of lights at competitive prices. □

Boxing Day Concert

Staff at the City of Mandurah have prepared a post-concert review for Council. In summary, the Council's report states:

1. "That the event was very successful from the perspective of the organiser, Council, Police and other stakeholders.
2. Approximately 9,700 attended against the approved limit of 15,000.
3. Noise management was acceptable with only two measurements exceeding the limit allowed, against the 10 separate non-compliances permitted. Only one performer used bad language.
4. Security was good and there was no complaint received regarding patron behaviour during or after the event.
5. In the early hours of the event it contributed to traffic delays in Mandurah. There were few minor parking problems.
6. There were no significant issues noted relating to liquor consumption.
7. Access to toilets was a minor issue, as a result of inadequate signage.
8. The event cost the Council (for officer time alone) around \$38,000.
9. The Organiser has a desire to hold similar events and possibly develop a broader Mandurah events program.

The Council's report contains the following recommended:

- a) Future events have patronage capped at 10,000;
- b) Council try in future to recover more of its costs from such events;
- c) Council notes discussions with the organiser regarding future events;
- d) Council recognize the efforts of City staff, Police, FESA and SES in planning the event."

PMRA has responded, challenging several of these statements, but agreeing that the event did not produce the adverse outcomes that it might have, had the weather been hotter and the wind in a different direction. PMRA has again recommended Council consider an alternative site and date.

We will need to 'keep an eye' on events planned for the future. □

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*Hint: "Make sure you read everything before you sign on the dotted line"
 Carol Hudson [your PMRA Social Co-Ordinator] is now part of Nick's team*

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Application for NEW Membership ONLY

I/We wish to apply for membership of the Port Mandurah Residents' Association. I/We agree to abide by the Constitution as formally amended on 13th January 2005.

Each residence receives *two full memberships* for each year's membership fee and all permanent members of the household enjoy various membership privileges as Associate Members (no fee).

<i>Insert names – use preferred Christian Names</i>			
Member/s			Two Full Members – see schedule below for fee
Member of family			Associate Member: Free
Member of family			Associate Member: Free
Member of family			Associate Member: Free
<i>Please insert further names at the foot of this form if there are more members of your household</i>			
Canal Address			
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<i>Membership Packages available – 2 memberships per calendar year</i>			<i>Tick your choice</i>
Enduring Fee	15 years	\$250.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
5 years	2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 [inclusive]	\$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 years	2006, 2007, 2008 [inclusive]	\$65.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
1 year	2006	\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Please make your cheque payable to: Port Mandurah Residents' Association</i>			
Signed:		Date:	
Cheque for the sum of \$.....is enclosed.			
<i>It would be appreciated if you could provide us with the following extra information if applicable to your home and property in the Port Mandurah precinct.</i>			
Jetty	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Wood <input type="checkbox"/> : Floating <input type="checkbox"/> : Extra piles <input type="checkbox"/>	
Lifter	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Electric <input type="checkbox"/> : Hydraulic <input type="checkbox"/> : Floating <input type="checkbox"/> : Derrick <input type="checkbox"/> :	
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