

The Newsletter of the Lower Kalgan Progress Association Inc. Nov 2011

# We Need You To Have Your Say...

How LKPA is structured under our constitution can make a whole lot of difference to our financial status. LKPA is undergoing a process of change precipitated by changes to State Government legislation and changes to Federal tax office rules governing eligibility for various concessions... these issues combined to renew calls for a review of the LKPA constitution.

A sub-committee consequently compared the existing constitution with the "model rules" provided under the state act, to produce a proposed replacement. As soon as that is ready, it will be made available on the website for members to examine, before being put to a vote of members at our next general meeting in February 2012. To complete that review of the constitution however, we need corporate agreement on what it is that we are in business to achieve. For this we need your feedback! On page 7 is a 'tick and flick' survey and your prompt response will be greatly appreciated to help us meet the February meeting deadline.

In amending our constitution we need to consider whether we are primarily an altruistic, not-for-profit charity, or a self-interest organization.

The ATO guidelines state: -

"A non-profit organization is an organization that is not operating for the benefit or gain of its individual members, whether these gains would have been direct or indirect. This applies both while the organization is operating and when it winds up.

Any profit made by the organization goes back into the operation of the organization to carry out its purposes and is not distributed to any of its members

We accept an organization as non-profit where its constituent or governing documents prevent it from distributing profits or assets to the benefit of particular people – both while it is operating and when it winds up."

One way of specifying objects in a way that would satisfy the ATO definitions of a "Not For Profit" organization, without trying to make it a "charity" (in the sense of commitments to welfare provision) might be something like (say);

Achieving social cohesion by cooperation, coordination and communication through sharing venues, facilities and services for appropriate common interests.

This definition is the subject of the first question on page 7. Please help us by taking the time to complete the survey and then drop it off at Lower King Store.

Many thanks to the sub-committee and in particular David Giles for all your work on this.

Our next meeting is on Monday 14th of November 7.30pm at the Hall

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Visit the Kalgan Community Website www.kalgan.wa.au

### News From The Kalgan Volunteer Bushfire Brigade

Report from the Meeting, 12 September, 2011

Items discussed included:

- 3.4 Pump has been repaired new shaft, seals and fittings.
- The meeting agreed to purchase a new Weather station for Don Tomlinson so he can take up duties as our Weather Officer.
- Firebreak in Kalgan Heights needs clearing. Secretary to contact the City.
- Would anyone wishing to burn an area or pile larger than 2m please advise the FCO, John Bocian on 9846 4306 or 0418 960 673 prior to lighting up, as a courtesy to the brigade.
- Ross Fenwick, Chief Bushfire Control Officer, gave a report on the recent FESA Conference he attended.

# The next full meeting will be on Monday 12 December 2011 at 7.30 pm at the Lower Kalgan Fire Shed.



The City of Albany's Works and Services directorate will move to a new base on Thursday 27 October to ensure all staff involved in asset management will work together for improved customer service.

City of Albany CEO Faileen James said existing Works and Services directorate services would be enhanced with more direct lines of communication between customers, managers.

"Relocating the Works and Services directorate to Mercer

Rd will allow for a more logical connection of those involved in asset planning works and those who carry out the asset maintenance works.

"Services will be in no way reduced or impaired by the move, other than the possible initial logistical issues when shifting a workforce of 10 employees to another location.

"Those issues should be resolved within a few days so please bear with us during this process," said Ms James.

"Some former Works and Services functions will now be handled by Planning, including new engineering services for subdivisions and planning applications." Any general Works and Services queries can be directed to (08) 9841 9333, and most officer mobile phones and email addresses will remain the same.

To visit a Works and Services officer after 26 October, go to the Mercer Rd depot reception as sign posted onsite, and as shown on the attached map.

Alternatively, make enquiries at the North Rd customer reception area where enquiries will be logged and forwarded to the relevant depot staff.



### Why "Two Peoples" Bay? By David Giles

It was called Two Peoples Bay back in February 1803 when Captain Nicholas Baudin of the French ship Géographe there bumped into the American Captain Isaiah Pendleton of the American ship Union. In those days, a people meant a republic with an elected head of state. There were only two of those in the world back then; the USA and France.

It was quite a different United States of America in those days. Captain Pendleton would have been sailing under a different flag from the original Star Spangled Banner. Originally the US flag had thirteen stars and thirteen stripes; one for each of the original colonies. That was replaced with the 15 Star Flag in 1795 consequent to admission into the union of two additional states; Vermont and Kentucky. There were thus fifteen states, all east of the Mississipi river.



This flag was the only U.S. Flag to have more than 13 stripes. Notice the tilt in some of the stars, just as in the original Star Spangled Banner. Although this was

the official flag when Captain Pendleton welcomed Captain Baudin, on the other side of the world, both of their countries were even then engaged in a deal which would require further changes to this flag.

Unbeknown to either of those captains, back home in Washington, barely thirty years after the war of independence, President Jefferson was contemplating some sort of treaty or arrangement with the British, because of his fears about Napoleons colonial ambitions. Napoleon had captured some of the Caribbean Islands, along with a large part of North America as prizes of war from his conquest of Spain. Jefferson wanted assured access to the Mississipi river ports, especially New Orleans, and was scared the French might lock the United States out. He consequently dispatched emissaries to Paris to see if they could buy the required guarantee of access to those Mississippi ports from Napoleon.

Unbeknown to President Jefferson, things had not been going too well for Napoleon in the meantime. The French had lost 40,000 soldiers to Yellow Fever while vainly trying to suppress a revolt of slaves on Haiti, one of their newly acquired Caribbean islands. Maintaining a colony on the other side of the Atlantic was awkward so long as Britannia ruled the waves, and Nelson had badly mauled what was left of the French navy. Napoleon was desperately short of cash.

Imagine the surprise of the emissaries from President Jefferson when the French instead offered them the whole of the French territories in North America! These stretched from the Rockies in the West, to Canada in the North, right down to the Gulf of Mexico. Of course the Americans accepted, thereby doubling the size of the United States! It was the biggest land deal in the history of the world; a deal that was to become known as The Louisianna Purchase.

Meanwhile, back in the Kalgan, Captain Baudin became the first European to explore the Kalgan River, which he named La Riviere Francaise (or French River). That name didn't stick, but one suburb on Oyster Harbour is named after a French bayonet found many years later.

We get an idea of the times when we read that Baudin and Flinders were then both trying to establish whether Van Diemens Land was separate from the mainland, and whether New Holland (or Terre Napoleon as the French called it) was separated from New South Wales. Back in England, the British government was authorizing a new settlement to be formed in what we now know as Melbourne.

Sadly, neither of the two peoples Captains were to make it back to their respective homes. Captain Baudin was to die on Mauritius, while Captain Pendleton was to suffer the same fate as had Captain Cook, when he also stopped off en route home at a different archipelago of islands on the other side of the world, ironically known to this day as the "Friendly" islands.



# Lower Kalgan Community Christmas Tree & BBQ

### Sunday 18th December 2011 @ 5.30pm, Lower Kalgan Hall.

Come, young and old, to celebrate the magic of Christmas, enjoying the festive season amongst neighbours and friends!

#### 6.15pm The Jolly Magical Father Christmas arrives

Delivering gifts for the children directly from the North Pole!

(Parents please leave a gift to be delivered by 'The Man in Red' to the value of \$15.00 at the Lower King Store by Friday the 16th December. Gifts must be clearly labelled with your child's name and age.)

#### 6.45pm Sausage Sizzle Dinner

Sausages will be on sale for \$3.00 each. BYO Drinks

#### 7.30pm The Goose Club Raffle

A crazy Christmas raffle with a lucky dip prize.

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Please bring a \$5.00 wrapped Christmassy item or novelty to go in the raffle.

#### 8.00pm Supper

Please bring a plate of supper, sweet or savoury. Coffee & tea supplied.

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#### RSVP

Michael & Belinda O'Dea: ode.bell@westnet.com.au for catering numbers.
Frances Giles 9846 4403

#### A local, authentic Australian Christmas Experience that will bring festive cheer.

#### You are all welcome, come join the fun!

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# **Our Newly Elected Councillors Yvonne Attwell and Chris Holden**

I am very pleased to introduce myself through your I am very pleased to be re-elected to Council as a



Lower Kalgan Progress Association newsletter. I am sure that there are many who read this, that will know me or know of me. I have lived in Albany since 1963. I first came to Albany to do my Nursing Aide training at the Albany Regional Hospital which was only one year old at the time. We are now seeing a new hospital

being constructed. How time goes by.

I married Brian Attwell in 1964 and we have two sons, both living in Albany. Brian and I started AD Contractors and from that business, I got to know many Albany people from both farming community and within the town. I left AD Contractors in 1996 and since then, have been involved in my own property management and development. I consider myself self employed and semi retired at the same time. This does give me the flexibility to attend to Council matters when ever needed.

I have been involved in many local activities over the years, kindergartens, schools, and sporting groups. Most recently, I have been a Councillor and Chairman of Planning Building and Grounds at Great Southern Grammar. Deciding to nominate for Albany City Council was just the next step for me to contribute to our wonderful community. As one of your Councillor's for the Kalgan Ward, I will very interested in the things that you as a Progress Association, deem important. Local government is the government closest to the people and we all need to understand how this works. If I can be of assistance anytime, it will be my pleasure to help.

I have a very strong belief that we are lucky to live in such a wonderful part of Australia and that we have a duty to work together to nurture and progress our lifestyle. We can't have everything we want in life but we certainly enjoy most of the things we need.

I look forward to meeting you all at some time.

Regards,

Councillor Yvonne Attwell.

Mobile No. 0419 851 343.

representative of Kalgan Ward. I live in the ward and am familiar with most of it. As an ex-farmer I can relate to many of the rural rate payers. Prior to this election I had only served about a year and a half as I had won the By-election caused by the resignation of



Robert Bugge. During the past year and a half I have come to understand the responsibilities of a Councillor and how I can help and represent the rate payers of the ward. I renominated as I wanted to continue and go further. I am very much aware that one of the greatest needs of this ward is road maintenance. The timber trucks have not been kind to the roads. I have been called by rate payers on a number of occasions and have made onsite inspections of trouble spots. Following this I have made representation to Council to have the matter dealt with and, I am pleased to say, in most cases action was taken within a reasonable time.

As most people realise a Councillor may represent his/ her ward but they also have responsibility for the overall good of the City. In this regard I feel the Council in the past has not been as positive and proactive as it could be. I do not wish to spoil what we have but we have both need and room for sensible development and I am not only referring to buildings. Parades, colour, fun! More special events. I was in town when the last cruise ship was in and Alison Hartmann gardens were alive with activity, music etc and York St was buzzing. I think we need more of this through the summer and not only for cruise ships. Many people label Albany as a city for pensioners and oldies. It is not, and in any case many pensioners and oldies are young at heart (I'm 75 and like to think I am - crewing and going aloft on the "Leeuwin" is scary but exhilarating).

I look forward to serving you for the next two years and we'll see if we can't get a few more of those pot holes filled!

Councillor Chris Holden

# Want to get fit and healthy while living in Kalgan?

Come and learn pilates – a great exercise program that improves agility, flexibility, muscle tone and strength, used by dancers to footballers to get the best out of their body.

A beginner's pilates class will be held at the Lower Kalgan Hall.



Join for a 6 week program and receive a discounted price.

Or join as a casual and make it when you can.

When: Every Monday at 5.30pm until Nov. 28th .

Where: Lower Kalgan Hall, Nanarup Rd, KALGAN

In the future we would like to offer a second weekly class, please let us know what your preferred days/ times and if you would like to try yoga, yogalates , zumba or pilates.

For more information contact: Laura Bird on 98464638 or laurabird@bigpond.com

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# EXPRESSIONS of INTEREST

#### Dance classes for children

2012 Pre-schoolers Dance Classes At Lower Kalgan Hall Jazz- Ballet with Anyes Mondays 4:50 to 5:20 pm \$ 70 for 8 wk terms Telephone 0428129672

#### **Mah Jong Players**

Anyone interested in playing/learning the Chinese board game of Mah Jong please contact Janice on 9846 4603

Kalgan Hall will be the venue for seven dances in 2012



- March 31st
- April 21st
- June 30th
- August 18th
- September 29th
- October 20th
- December 29th

For those wishing to become dancers or brush up there old skills the Kalgan Hall is a great place to start. Contact John Powis 98461217

#### Your say on what do you want your progress association to exist to promote, support or oppose - Tick as many or as few as you like. (A) Agree (B) Not sure (C) Disagree

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			Agreement to use the definition on page one		
			Development proposals for public works-		
			Developments that enhance specific property values		
			For the benefit of all		
			Nimby ("not-in-my-backyard") oppose location of offensive facilities		
			Neighbourhood subdivisions		
			Provide community venues &/or facilities (eg hall)		
			Restrict eligibility for use of such venues, amenities and/or facilities to residents of geographically defined boundaries?		
			Promote health		
			Promote art and culture (eg music, drama etc)		
			Maintain defence, public order, &/or emergency services		
			Relieve poverty, sickness and disability		
			Relieve distress consequent to natural disasters		
			Provide social welfare (ie via counseling, child care, family support services)		
			Advance religion		
			Advance education		
			Advance political interests		
			Promote scientific research		
			Advance industry through research and resource development		
			Protect the environment generally, and protect the flora and fauna unique to the Lower Kalgan in particular		
			Preserve historic relics		
			Raise funds with which to finance the provision of community services, facilities and venues		
			Other (please specify)		
Name: Email/Tel:					

Thanks for taking the time to complete the survey - Can you please drop it in to Lower King Store

### Our next meeting Monday 14th Nov. - 7.30pm at the Hall

### Annual Subscription

Lower Kalgan Progress Association Inc annual membership -	Family \$25 🗖	Individual \$20 🗖
Name:		
Address:		

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