



LOCALLY SPEAKING

LOWER KING & BAYONET HEAD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION
NEWSLETTER: JANUARY 2018

LAST MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

Our guest speaker was Tim Wall from DFES, who gave us a most interesting and informative talk on being prepared for the coming bushfire season.

Prepare, Act, Survive planning should include:

- Property assessment for bushfire risk
- Bushfire checklists and plans
- Family 5 Minute Fire Chat – to plan when to leave, where to go, and which way to go
- making a Calendar for preparing your property
- an emergency kit for important items to take in the event of an evacuation.

Tim also informed us about the **EmergencyWA phone app**, which provides current emergency warnings. Tim provided written material which will also be available at the January meeting.

In the general meeting we had a comprehensive Councilors Report from Anthony Moir on the current status of City of Albany Coastal Hazard Mapping – with Community consultation to follow on 29 November at Albany Surf Club.

Kalgan Councillors Bill Hollingworth and newly-elected Emma Doughty answered questions from the floor, including on the following issues:

- Alison Hartman Gardens – plans for upgrade of facilities
- Albany Library renovation - on schedule for March opening
- Historical Collection currently in the Coop building, but to be located back at Library
- Old Visitor Centre building to house the new Wave Energy Project
- TransWA Bus station – there are no plans to move this.
- Oyster Harbour Development Public Open Space - there was discussion on matters raised by a resident of the new Oyster Harbour Estate. More on this later in the newsletter.

NEXT MEETING:

MONDAY 15th JAN 2018, Gomm Park Hall, Lower King. Guest Speaker 6.30, Meeting 7pm

Are you missing out?

We have excellent guest speakers programmed at each meeting and best of all the service is free.

GUEST SPEAKER FOR 20th January

Grant Westthorp from Men's Resource Centre (Inc): this organisation is concerned with optimising health and well-being outcomes for all males - physical, mental, and social - young and old.

They have many programs and activities to achieve these aims, and have produced a very comprehensive booklet, "Men's Survival Handbook - Edition 4", which has a wealth of information.

The organisation is located on Serpentine Road in Albany, and is funded by the State government and five corporations. Grant Westthorps presentation will be most interesting and informative, so try not to miss it.

OYSTER HARBOUR ESTATE

Residents would have noticed the rapid progress of Stage 7 of this new estate. At our last meeting a new resident raised concerns regarding planning and facilities (or lack of them) being provided in the public open spaces. From the advice received from councilors present at the meeting, it seems that the developers are responsible for providing facilities for residents. Council can only act on issues or complaints received from local residents.

Your Progress Association has agreed to try and develop a channel for Community Consultation with the City of Albany Health Development, regarding planning for the Public Open Space so that it meets the needs of the community. Specifically, a dog exercise area featuring a dog waste station with a bin was requested, and this issue is now being pursued by LKBHPA.

We would like feedback from residents in or around this new estate, which already has so many new dwellings, with many more planned. In order for us to help you, please give us your comments and suggestions by attending our next meeting, or by e-mail through our website.

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- Wide range of liquor supplies, fishing gear, pet meats, firewood, ice, Shell fuel, etc.....
- Excellent specials – for example, Christmas season shark Bay prawns.

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