

### LOCALLY SPEAKING

### LOWER KING & BAYONET HEAD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER: JUNE 2019

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#### **LAST MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:**

Our last activity was on 31 March, where we had a Neighbour Day celebration at Gomm Park Hall. We had some new people attend, and some very good ideas were put forth for community activities and events that we could sponsor as an Association. This has generated our Survey, asking for your input.

#### **NEXT MEETING:**

Our next community sponsored event will be on 13 July at Gomm Park Hall. This will be a Swap Meet, commencing at 2 PM - more information below...

#### SWAP MEET - Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July, Gomm Park Hall commencing 2 PM.

This is a new initiative by the Association to sponsor a community event, using the Hall as a hub for community activities.

The **Swap Meet** idea is for people to bring something to swap, e.g. fruit, vegetables, plants, cuttings, preserves, books, magazines, or any other item that is likely to be an attractive swap. This is a swap only, no buying or selling.

**The simple rules are:** to participate, you need to bring something to swap.

Everything will be set out on tables for inspection and at 2:30 PM swap commences.

You can walk around before 2.30, and look at what's on offer and decide what you would like to swap for. Anything that you bring that is not swapped must be taken home by the person who brought it.

This idea is patterned after the very successful and well attended regular swap meets at Denmark.

The other benefit is that people can socialise and get to meet one another, as well as being a means of communication with your Association.

Future Swap Meets will depend on the response we experience from the initial event.



#### PROPERTY VALUES IN OUR AREAS

Kyle Sproxton of Merrifield Real Estate has kindly given us this update:

#### median house price

Albany urban area: \$369,000 Bayonet Head: \$415,000 Lower King: \$350,000

The above areas sales figures equate to 18.3% of the total number of houses sold in the Albany

urban area.

#### average annual change percentage for 5 years

Bayonet Head- +2.2% Lower King- -1.9%

#### average annual% change for 10 years

Albany urban area - 0.3% Bayonet Head +0.6% Lower King -0.8%

#### average time on the market.

Albany urban area is 97 days Bayonet Head is 116 days Lower King is 201 days.

➤ Bayonet Head and Lower King typically take longer to sell, with houses staying on the market, on average, longer than the Albany urban area.

#### LOCAL COMMUNITIES: INTER-GROUP MEETING

Last Sunday Abigail and Richard from LKBHPA attended a meeting at King River Hall with Community groups from upper and lower Kalgan, Kendenup, Napier, and King River, to meet one another and share our ideas. All of these groups have much in common with your Association, in that they are reaching out to their respective area residents to promote local activities in the respective halls, and bring a greater feeling of local community, unity, and shared activities - rather than the trend of centralising all our events and activities into the Albany City area.

There are some wonderful local events being held in these areas, and this is re-invigorating these outlying areas of the city. Some examples are: fitness classes, book exchange, sundowners, food van on site then a shared meal, local conservation groups, yoga classes, Albany Museum presentation on area local history, Folk & Shanty musical evenings, and car boot sales.

We encourage our members and local residents to give us feedback on the survey that has been previously sent out, which is due back at the end of this month – the Survey is included below, for your convenience. We are open to suggestions and ideas, so that we can bring a real feeling of local community to our areas. Also, to support our **next event of 13<sup>th</sup> July SWAP MEET - see attached FLIER...** 

#### LKBHPA FACEBOOK PAGE:

The Association now has our own Facebook page, so we can post relevant and interesting local information for you as it happens. Members can also post and help keep everyone updated. All the details of meeting dates and times etc are here, and also a link to the LKBHPA website. Search for <a href="Lower King & Bayonet Head Progress Association">Lower King & Bayonet Head Progress Association</a> on Facebook, @LKBHPA, and be sure that you 'Like Page' to keep yourself informed, and 'Share' the page with your local contacts.

**NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION:** a reminder that we are striving to increase our circulation of this newsletter **by e-mail.** Please e-mail us at **LKBHPA@yahoo.com** to be added to our e-mail distribution list.

#### **Lower King & Bayonet Head Progress Association** Member survey 2019

As part of the change of focus to local community events to promote local facilities and provide an opportunity for community members to get together, please complete the survey and return to:

> Lower King & Bayonet Head Progress Association C/o Post Office Lower King 6330

> > Or email to **LKBHPA@yahoo.com**

(please tick) ✓

I would be interested in participating in this activity

	Art group, eg. Painting and drawing
	Craft group
	Music, eg. Folk music performances, singing group
	Social bring and share meals
	Swap meets, swap only - no cash sales. Produce, books, etc.
	Quiz nights - charity fund raisers
	Fitness classes, yoga
	Board games, cards
Other	
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIP	
	Single \$10 ( ) Family \$15 ( )
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Drop off or post to: Lower King & Bayonet Head P/A, c/o Post Office, Lower King (cheques made payable to the LK&BHPA please).  To pay online: BSB 633 108 A/c 1303 60837 (use your Surname as reference, and new members should also complete a membership form with your contact details please) or through website/pay online: www.lowerkingbayonethead.weebly.com	



Lower King & Bayonet Head Progress Association are sponsoring a new Community Event.

# WHAT.....? a COMMUNITY SWAP MEET:

patterned after the Denmark Garden Group's very popular and successful Produce Exchange. Fruit, veggies, plants, cuttings, preserves, books, bric-a-brac... bring whatever you have in excess.

# WHEN AND WHERE.....?

### Saturday 13th July at Gomm Park Hall, Lower King

(Croquet Club entrance, opposite LK Store)

## 2pm: SWAP MEET STARTS

arrival and setting out of your items begins at 2pm, giving you half an hour to catch up with friends and to inspect the other offerings available to be swapped.

## 2:30pm: SWAP BEGINS...

# HOW DOES IT WORK?

### There are just two simple rules:

1/ TO PARTICIPATE, YOU NEED TO BRING SOMETHING TO SWAP.

There is no buying or selling - only straight swapping.

You bring something to swap, and then pick something you want to swap your items for.

- 2/ SURPLUS ITEMS left after the swap MUST be taken home by the person bringing that item.
  - Future Swap Meets timing will depend on the response from this initial meeting.
  - The Swap Meet will be a great opportunity to meet local people, to socialise, and to make suggestions for further Community activities to your LKBHPA Committee.

For further information, please ring Richard: 0428 411 688