

From Anne Melrose, Chairperson

I would like to invite all residents of the South-East Corner to attend our 4th Annual General Meeting to be held on November 12th 6.00pm - 7.15pm at the Box Factory Community Centre, 59 Regent Street South (off Halifax Street). Zoe Drechsler (ACC Sustainability Policy Officer) will speak about biodiversity in the City and our area.

Over the past year, the SECRA Committee has made submissions on, or participated in discussions with the Adelaide City Council and others about:

- Victoria Park Community Land Management Plan
- ACC Noise Management Reference Group, which now meets regularly.
- State Government 30-year Plan for Greater Adelaide
- Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy
- Glenelg to Adelaide Park Lands Recycled Water Project (GAP Project)
- ACC 2009/10 Annual Business Plan and Budget
- Campers in the Park Lands.
- Box Factory Community Centre Advisory Committee
- ACC Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2009-2012
- Brown Hill Keswick Creek Stormwater Project. Stormwater management in the South Park Lands.
- Community Safety Strategy Forum

While Victoria Park is currently taking shape with work beginning on the north west corner, we are still actively involved with the Adelaide City Council and the South Australian Motor Sport Board to ensure 'slippage' does not occur between the plans and the reality. In particular, we continue to work with the SAMSB to move the contractors' camp away from residential areas towards Wakefield Road.

Removal of the SAJC buildings and race track has revealed the grandeur of the heritage grandstand and we continue to work with the ACC to preserve remnant native vegetation in the Park.

Increased emphasis on planning and funding public transport remains a priority for SECRA and, in particular, we are advocating that there be no parking on the Park Lands.

We have written to South Australian Senators to support funding for wet lands and improved water management, including storm water capture, in the Park Lands - a formal submission will be sent to the Commonwealth Government later in the year following the consultations in which SECRA has been a part.

The Terrace (formerly Afton House) on South Terrace has been operating now for some months and has been very successful not only from a social housing perspective, but as a good example of how heritage buildings can be preserved without losing modern amenity.

Unfortunately, we were not successful in preventing the demolition of the Morgan Building at Pulteney Grammar - there was little notice given and this is a clear example of how quickly the character and amenity of our local area could be lost without proper protections in place.

We value our members and welcome new ones - so we hope to see you at our AGM.

Sunday 26 October: *Parks Alive 2009 in Victoria Park. 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. www.parksalive.sa.gov.au*
Saturday 12 December *Christmas Market at the Box Factory Community Centre, 59 Regent Street South, 10am-3pm. Community garage sale; stalls; displays; food; music. Register your interest with Adele Liddle, Box Factory Co-ordinator, 8203 7749. bfcc@adelaidecitycouncil.com*

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