

Victoria Park

Those who value Adelaide's unique Parklands have had a good result at Victoria Park-

there will not be a permanent corporate box in the middle of the Park. State-of-the-art temporary facilities and shaded seating will be erected for the benefit of the race-going public. Even the Government is now saying this is the way to go! Furthermore, although this was not on SECRA's agenda, the SAJC will not continue racing at the venue– surely a win for Vic Park and for race-goers who will benefit from better facilities at Morphettville.

However, we cannot relax just yet. The Leader of the Opposition in his Vision Statement for South Australia stated that, if elected, he would go ahead with a permanent structure in Vic Park for use by the SAMSB and SAJC. As a precursor to this Vision Statement, the Adelaide Park Lands (Facilitation of Victoria Park) Private Members Bill was introduced into the House of Assembly. While current wisdom is that this Bill will be defeated, it shows how quickly things can change and the need to remain vigilant.

Public Consultations

- **Adelaide City Council's Community Land Management Plan for Victoria Park** -will go to public consultation in the next 3-4 months
- **The Adelaide Parklands Authority** is conducting its own Management Plan - SECRA has been identified by the Authority as a stakeholder
- **The ACC Strategic Plan 2008-2030** will be sent to residents in the next couple of weeks. SECRA committee will be attending an ACC Focus Group on 25th March. The Strategic Plan will feed into the Corporate Plan and then the ACC budget -all of which will entail public consultation.

All interested residents are encouraged to make individual submissions to the above or provide comments to the SECRA Committee for inclusion in SECRA submissions.

Clipsal 500

The Motor Sport Board intends to retain its 'temporary' administration and contractors' camp in the Park **for all of 2008** so as to: lay additional electricity and TV cables; build foundations for the temporary seating; and, up-grade the race track. This complex is currently located close to East Terrace and Halifax Streets – a location which has the greatest impact on residents.

The SECRA Committee believes it may make good economic, practical and aesthetic sense to locate such work hubs nearer to Wakefield Street. In any event, we do not believe any decision which will entrench infrastructure in the parklands should be made prior to finalisation of the Community Land Management Plan for Victoria Park. We shall be writing to Mr Andrew Daniels of the SAMSB to express this view and to provide general feedback on this year's race.

This is the time to get it right for the motor race, other park users and for city residents.

ACC NEWS

As Area Councillor, David Plumridge is preparing reports on decisions and deliberations of Council – a very valuable resource for all those living in the city. If you would like to receive this e-mail communication, contact David directly at d.plumridge@adelaidecitycouncil.com.au

*We look forward to seeing you at our public meeting on **WATER on April 1st** (see over page).*

Anne Melrose, Chairperson SECRA