



Warrimoo News



Newsletter of the Warrimoo Citizens Association

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Warrimoo Citizens' Association SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 30th August 2016, 7.00pm, Fire Brigade Hall GWH

Agenda:

- Reports from Officeholders**
- The proposed Parking at Warrimoo Oval**
- All residents and interested stakeholders invited**

Energetic Warrimoo...

Since the last 'Warrimoo News' our little township has been the hub of activities that surely makes us one of the busiest communities anywhere on the planet. Here's a brief summary of what's happened...

- **Award Presentation—'Old Stalwarts'—Feb 29th**—At its last (414th) WCA General Meeting, Mayoral 'Certificates of Appreciation' were presented by Mark Greenhill to Allan Bewley, Lorraine Bewley, Patricia Mungovern and Tony Montgomery for more than 40 years of service to Warrimoo's institutions, including WCA, the Citizens' Hall Committee and in this special case, the Warrimoo Tennis Court Committee. Each presentation was roundly applauded by all present and delicious canapés followed in the Fire Brigade Headquarters.
- **Sound Lounge—March 12th**— Locals sat back, ate, drank and soaked up some brilliant world-class musical entertainment served up by Kevin and Dustin Welsh in the usual magical 'nightclub atmosphere' of the School Hall. It was a Saturday night to remember for all who attended.
- **High Speed Rail Forum—April 3rd**—On this Sunday Warrimoo witnessed the biggest 'political meeting' in its history when the Citizens' Hall was packed to hear 'Beyond Zero Emissions' speaker David Ballantyne make the case for solar-powered High Speed Rail as a viable alternative to jet pollution from the proposed future Airport at Badgerys Creek. The Greens' sponsored forum gained wide coverage throughout western Sydney and several politicians chimed in on the conversation—lots of 'thought bubbles' but nothing concrete has yet arisen.
- **'Arts Trail'—April 16-20th**—A multi-site exhibition of Lower Mountains artists and their works, including several Warrimooians. Steve Campbell and Celia Featherstone were featured. Further Arts Trails are on their way—why not visit the ones in our town?
- **Moo Choir in Canberra—May 29th**—Our community choir teamed up with Rachel Hore and a host of other Mountains choirs to lift the roof of the High Court in Canberra. What a venue! What a sing! Congratulations to all Moo choristers and Director Suzanne Langford on this triumph of voice collaboration!

- **Federal Election—July 2nd**—‘Election Day’ at Warrimoo PS provided its usual festive atmosphere with the Warrimoo PS Cake Stall and B-B-Q in full swing and a panoply of ‘How to Voters’ out front. WCA congratulates the new sitting member for Macquarie, Labor’s Sue Templeman who, with the help of Greens’/Terry Morgan preferences, defeated Louise Markus 52% to 48%. For Warrimoo, the vote was memorable because it provided a record 19.60% for the Greens, who presented the most outright and clear opposition to Western Sydney Airport.
- **‘Xmas in July’—July 30th**—A great concept as a community get-together combining locals, BYO food and drink, a beautifully laid-out School Hall, tables decorated as no-one else can, and music/dance provided by tip-top Mountains’ band ‘Groove-Co-op’. Festivities continued deep into the crisp winter’s night. Congrats to Warrimoo PS P&C, Bogna, Robin, Lara and Diana and all associated with this glittering Warrimoo event. Long may it prosper.

So there you have it. This list doesn’t include the usual litany of events coming from the school AND Fire Brigade—like Open Days, Year Assemblies, Carnivals and Grandparents’ Days etc., nor the host of private functions, garage sales, football finals at the Oval etc. etc.—but it’s very clear that not many communities can match the Warrimoo capacity for voluntary commitment, cooperation, parent care and engagement, generosity and love of life displayed by our citizens year in year out. Cheers to you all—you know who you are.

Council Election—September 10

Warrimoo is the border between Wards 3 and 4. There will be twelve candidates but just four parties contesting Ward 4, our electorate: the Liberals led by Brendan Christie; Australia First led by Matt Hodgson; The Greens led by Kate McConville; and the Labor Party headed by Mark Greenhill, the current Mayor. There are three positions available, and usually the result is one Labor, one Liberal, and a tussle for the third vacancy. Naturally, your vote is vital to the outcome—Warrimoo has the reputation of being the ‘Power-Centre’ of the Blue Mountains, having so many candidates that live here.

For the BMCC elections, voting will take place at the Polling Station in the Warrimoo Citizens Hall, from 8.00am to 6.00pm

Warrimoo Citizens Association has identified several issues relating to our township—appropriate parking at Warrimoo Oval (see Meeting Notice), more play equipment for our parks, footpaths for dangerous walking areas (eg Waratah Road) along with cycleways, planter-box seats for the shops, a Public Toilet and bubblers/water refilling stations for walkers and cyclists, security for bushland entries to stop vehicle interlopers, protection/cleaning of our environment, maintenance of our bus shelters and more. If you have an issue you would like raised, come to the next Meeting and register your views...

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 30th August at 7.pm: Warrimoo Citizens Association General Meeting, focussing on ‘Parking at Warrimoo Oval’. Fire Brigade Headquarters, next to Citizens Hall.

Thursday 8th September 10am: Conservation Society Transit of Venus walk, Woodford. Meet corner of Woodford Ave and Great Western Hwy 10.am. Leader Tracy 0434 362 611. Take Lunch.

Friday 9th September at 5pm: Fitzgeralds Catchment Group meets at the fire brigade station. Contact Steve Barratt on 47 536339

Saturday 10th September 7.30am—6.00pm: Council Election Day, Warrimoo Citizens Hall.