



The Grapevine

Vines Residents Association Weekly Newsletter

Special Electors Meeting Reminder for Tuesday, 31 August

Residents of The Vines are strongly encouraged to attend the Special Electors Meeting Tuesday night.

It is important to make clear the multitude of concerns with the proposed redevelopment of The Vines Resort and Golf Club to the City of Swan CEO and Councillors. By standing united as a community with significant numbers, as residents did at the AGM, the politicians in

attendance and those who will be monitoring the proceedings will hear loudly that this community should not be targeted for infill housing.

As a small locality, The Vines can not sustain more housing without adversely impacting on the lifestyle and sense of place that is both a community and a tourism destination for the Swan Valley. *See meeting details on page 2.*

City of Swan councillor seeks feedback on place management

Charlie Zannino, City of Swan Councillor for the Swan Valley and Gidgegannup, has reached out to seek ideas and suggestions from residents on how to improve or better activate our community and localities. The areas that residents can provide comment on include parks, gardens, ovals, and open spaces as part of the City of Swan's Place Management Program.

The City's Place Management Team would like to hear from the community about ideas for activating public spaces in The Vines. What would you like to see in The Vines to support mental and physical health and community events? Please email your ideas to the VRA by Friday, 3 September. The VRA email address is vinesresidentsassociation@gmail.com



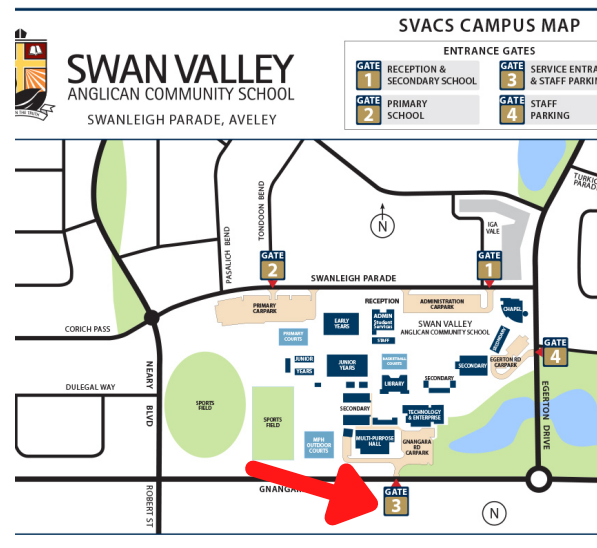
What's Coming Up?

**Sunday,
29 August
at 2pm
VRA Meet &
Greet**

We all know that The Vines is a unique community and locality. So let's find out who our neighbours are and continue to build a strong and vibrant neighbourhood. By getting to know each other, we can work better together to preserve the places we call home.

Join us at the Ellenbrook Bowling Club for a casual afternoon of meet and greet. The VRA will provide nibbles and you can bring platters to share. The bar will be open with bowling club prices. It's a chance to relax and make some new friends.

**Tuesday,
31 August at
7pm
Special
Electors
Meeting with
City of Swan**



- Entry is Gate 3 off Gnarong Road.
- Doors open at 6pm for 7pm start.
- See more info on VRA website at www.vinesra.com.au

**Thursday,
2 September
VRA Committee
meets with
Jessica Shaw
MLA**

Vines Residents Association Committee members will be meeting with Jessica Shaw MLA at her office to provide a further update on the strategy that has been developed to oppose the redevelopment of The Vines Resort & Golf Club. Jessica spoke at the VRA AGM and offered her support to the community.



Barbera Lane Residents in the news



Photo credit: *Echo News*

Residents of Barbera Lane were interviewed by the *Echo News* on their efforts to actively campaign for a chicane to slow traffic on their road way that was previously not a thoroughfare.

Changes in The Vines with new developments directly off Barbera Lane that link traffic to Vines Avenue have impacted the area with more traffic and increasing average speeds as evidenced in a 2020 traffic study

The lane does not have street lighting and its layout is a continuous undulating curve which residents say makes for a dangerous combination. Footpaths were only recently added and anyone walking or cycling on Barbera Lane will notice the speeds which vehicles traverse on the winding and relatively narrow road.

Motoring along Cardinal Drive into Barbera Lane, drivers will be aware of numerous kangaroos who move about after dark. Cardinal Drive also lacks street lighting.

Efforts to have the City of Swan install road calming measures have been rejected with the city advising residents that their street is not a priority.

The Barbera Lane residents will be continuing their campaign to get changes to slow traffic. It is important for drivers in The Vines to follow and respect the 50kph speed limit for the protection of residents, cyclists, walkers, and importantly the wildlife.

To read more about the campaign that residents are undertaking with VRA Committee member David Karr see the article at newspapers.com.au/the-vines-residents-chicane.

Be Part of the Bunch

The VRA would not be possible without volunteers. We are a grassroots community organisation and we need residents or supporters to assist.

If you can lend your skills in the following area(s) or know someone who can, please email vinesresidentsassociation@gmail.com and tell us about you!

• Botanists

The VRA Committee is delighted to have the assistance of a Technical Writer who responded to last week's request.

Volunteers will work with Committee Members on coordinated activities.

Please tell us about your interest and availability to assist your community.



VRA Volunteer Jim Kelly delivered more than half of the Special Electors Meeting flyers to residents in The Vines. Thank you Jim for your fantastic efforts!

VRA Survey Result Snapshots

Do you support the upgrade of 18 holes of golf into a championship golf course as proposed in the redevelopment concept? Respondents said:



Yes - 42.55%

No - 38.52%

Undecided - 19.31%

34% Feel there is already a championship course and management have failed to maintain it. Upgrade the Lakes course as is.

23% Lack trust in Management that any upgrade will occur due to failure to deliver on past promises.

21% Would like to see the course upgraded but not at the expense to residents/removal of 9 holes/loss of greenspace and impact to wildlife.

8% Support an upgrade as it will bring in revenue/job opportunities and bring back international golf.

5% Oppose the plan to upgrade.

4% Are concerned about the increase in fees or ability to get a game.

4% Need more info/feel course cannot happen as mini golf impacts the proposal in current form.

1% Not applicable / not a golfer.