



The Grapevine

Vines Residents Association Weekly Newsletter

City of Swan CEO and Councillors to meet with Residents of The Vines at Special Electors Meeting

Vines Residents Association Members and residents of The Vines are strongly encouraged to attend the Special Electors Meeting with the City of Swan that will be held Tuesday, 31 August at 7pm. This is our opportunity to make clear to our local government representatives that we do not support the redevelopment proposal for The Vines Resort & Golf Club.

VRA volunteers will be dropping off flyers this weekend with the details about the meeting. Please look out for the information in your mailbox. Or go to the VRA website at www.vinesra.com.au and click on the top banner for *Info Regarding Upcoming Special Electors Meeting with the City of Swan*. Please ensure you register online to attend and arrive when doors open at 6pm. See the location map on page 2.

A Burst of Colour Planned for Entry to The Vines

City of Swan staff have identified *Corymbia Ficifolia* or the Red Flowering Gum as the replacement trees to be planted along Chateau Place, the entry to The Vines.

VRA Committee members recently met with the City of Swan's Construction & Maintenance Manager Amanda Widjaja regarding residents' concerns that newly planted trees on Chateau Place had been removed shortly after being planted. The original trees had been incorrectly placed under power lines and have been replanted at various locations in The Vines, Aveley and Ellennbrook.

The City has procured 35 Red Flowering Gums to plant before the end of the month with 20 of the trees on the left and 15 on the right sides.

The VRA would like to thank City of Swan staff for their assistance.



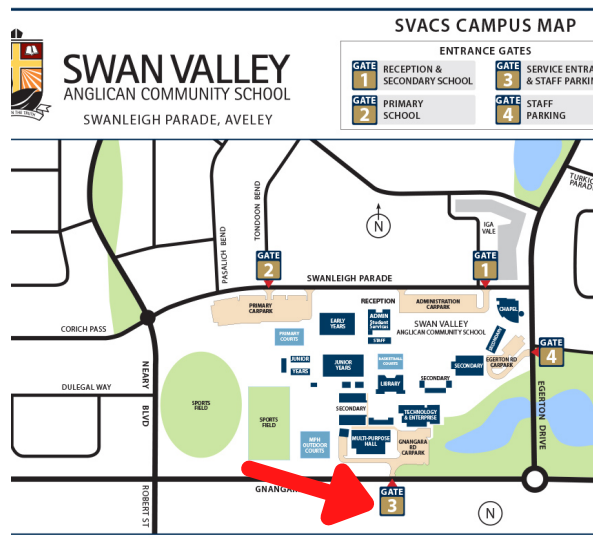
What's Coming Up?

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

We are back where we started! The recent VRA AGM was held at the terrific Ellenbrook Bowling Club and we will return for a Sunday afternoon Meet & Greet from 2pm to 4pm.

Nibbles will be provided and you can bring a plate to share. The bar will be open with club priced beverages. Come to hear what is planned for the future and meet more members of your community. See you there!

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



- Entry is Gate 3 off Gnanagara Road.
- Doors open at 6pm for 7pm start.
- You must register online at City of Swan website to attend.
- See more info on VRA website.
- Look out for flyer in your mailbox this weekend.

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

Vines Residents Association Committee members will be meeting with Jessica Swan 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.



Getting Snapping!

We are blessed with so much flora, fauna and a special lifestyle in The Vines. This is your chance to grab your camera or pull out your phone and capture what you see that is unique about our community to share in the VRA Photo Competition.

Go to the VRA website at www.vinesra.com.au, select the menu, select **Record Wildlife Sightings**, and upload your photo. Make sure you put the words 'Photo Competition' in the dialogue box.

The competition has started and will complete 23 September with a winner announced on 30 September. The judge will be Gary Tindale, Competition Director for the Swan Valley Camera Club www.swanvalleycameraclub.com.



Thanks to Brent Sireon, resident of The Vines, for sharing a photo of breakfast at his home!

Be Part of the Bunch

The VRA would not be possible without volunteers. We are a grassroot 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 Survey Result Snapshots

Which issues concern you?

1064 residents responded to this survey question. Of those residents, the following percentages had these concerns.



89.5% Additional Traffic On Roads

87.9% Impact to Flora & Fauna

85.3% Golf Course Views

84.7% Additional Housing

81.7% Loss of Green Space



80.4% Negative Impact to Property Values

78.5% Pressure on Power & Water



66.1% Cost to City to Maintain Public Assets

59.9% Resort Upgrades not Occurring



53.3% Golf Course Upgrades not Occurring

43.6% Loss of Tee Time on 27 Holes



1.9% Nothing Concerns Me

For perspective on the percentage of residents who responded to the survey, consider that in the 2016 Census there were **4,855** residents in The Vines which is inclusive of adults and children. Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics 2016 Census QuickStats: The Vines (abs.gov.au).