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# STOP THE DEVELOPMENT

# SAVE THE VINES

#### **UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR**

Following on from the notification email that has been sent to all members, this is a reminder that our AGM is almost upon us – full details are on page 2 of this newsletter. I would like to send a personal request that you all make an effort to attend this very important meeting.

Our aim has always been to promote, preserve and protect the character, lifestyle and unique environment of The Vines. The owners of the golf course, through their consultants and advisers, have made their intentions very clear over the past 2 years as to their ultimate aim.

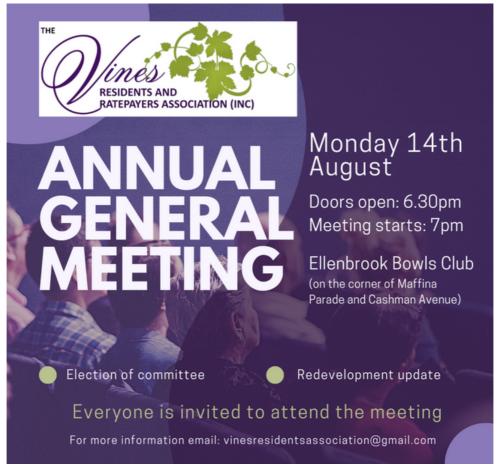
We have reached the next critical stage and this meeting will inform you of the current situation of the proposed redevelopment of the golf course which, as we know, would see vast areas of the course removed and replaced with housing, including the over 55's village on the existing driving range, along with the destruction of habitat of some of our most vulnerable native fauna.

The VRRA have been very successful to date in achieving our aims – we intend to continue to do so with your support.

If you would like to join our committee, please take this opportunity to volunteer as we have vacancies to fill. These roles will assist with various tasks, as well as helping us to run events and participating in other activities. You will need to be available to attend our committee meetings which are held regularly, usually on a Monday evening. For more information, please either give us a call or send an email and we'll get back to you as soon as we can.

We are also busy with the organisation for our annual Christmas event on Saturday 2nd December. If you follow our Facebook page, you may have seen that the market organisers, Kanga Markets, have already started advertising. If you are a local business that would like to have a stall or bring a food truck, please contact them as soon as possible to book your spot. There are reduced rates for businesses that are based in The Vines.

# 2023 AGM: Monday 14th August



As mentioned on the front page, the 2023 Annual General Meeting (AGM) for The Vines Residents and Ratepayers Association will be held on Monday 14th August, at the Ellenbrook Bowls Club. Doors will open at 6.30pm and the meeting will commence at 7pm sharp. This will include election of the association's committee, plus an update on the golf course redevelopment situation.

There are two vacant non-executive committee positions. Nomination forms will be emailed to members and will be on our Facebook page. You can also nominate if you wish to be considered for an executive position - a vote will be held at the AGM if required. In either case, a nomination form must be completed before the meeting.

It is important that members attend this meeting, as this fight is not over.

# National Tree Day: 30th July

National Tree Day is on Sunday 30th July, and is a day to celebrate trees and connection with nature.

There are many ways to get involved with National Tree Day at home by planting a tree in your garden, starting a vegetable patch, compost or worm farm.

There is also a community tree planting event at Whiteman Park. This year the group are continuing work on the multi-year revegetation site started in 2021, planting in a bushland buffer zone along Bennett Brook.

Bennett Brook is the lifestream of Whiteman Park. Originating as a superficial groundwater aquifer in the Park's north-west, the Brook flows through Mussel Pool and runs south to join the Swan River at Bassendean. The area for 2023 is just south of Mussel Pool and is important habitat for many animals including the quenda (southern brown bandicoots) and koomal (brush-tailed possums).

For more info, visit <a href="https://treeday.planetark.org/">https://treeday.planetark.org/</a> The Whiteman Park event is being organised by Sarah Stevenson, phone 9209 6000. You can also register to volunteer via the website.

### **Wildlife First Aid**

In the event of a collision between an animal and a motor vehicle, be careful about approaching a live injured animal as it may kick or bite. If possible and safe to do so, cover its head with a towel or some type of clothing, then call a licensed carer and they will provide the necessary treatment for the animal.

If you see a dead animal, please pull over carefully and check the animal if it is safe to do so. If the animal is marked with tape or paint, then it has already been checked. If not, check the pouch for a joey, remembering to never pull the joey off the teat. If there is a joey, contact a wildlife carer immediately - do not feed the joey.



If you find injured wildlife, it is very important to call a licensed carer immediately.

This includes Express Wildlife Rescue on 0417 926 130



# Campaign Bin Stickers

Would you like to show your support for our campaign against the redevelopment? We have bin stickers available which have been printed with our campaign logo.

These are a glossy vinyl sticker, measuring 340mm by 300mm. The photo to the right is an illustration of what the size looks like on a bin. **They are available for just \$5 each!** 

Show your support for our campaign by buying one (or two) for each of your bins.

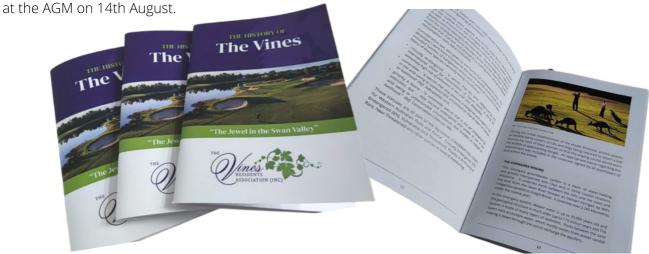
You can order by scanning the QR code, or via our website. We will deliver to your letterbox as soon as possible. We will also have stickers available to buy at the AGM on 14th August.



# The History of The Vines

The History of The Vines documents the initial development of The Vines Resort and Country Club. It tells how the government of the day supported this development to encourage Japanese tourism within Western Australia and enhance tourist opportunities within the beautiful Swan Valley. It documents the highs that were a key part of early life within The Vines; the challenges that residents faced when building their homes within the area; and, now what are seen as even greater challenges in maintaining the areas semi-rural lifestyle due to the threat of redevelopment.

The books are available for purchase at \$10.00 each. Please contact The VRRA via email vinesresidents association@gmail.com if you are interested in purchasing these books. They will be available



# **Containers for Change**

The VRRA is grateful to everyone who drops off their eligible containers so we can collect the 10c refund towards our 'fighting fund' - this has assisted us to engage experts in our fight against the redevelopment.

If you would like to help us, details are below.

The VRRA are delighted to be a registered beneficiary of the Containers for Change recycling scheme in Western Australia.

#### THE VRRA Scheme ID is C10534672

For each eligible recycled container, The VRRA will receive 10 cents. Most aluminium, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard drink containers between 150ml and 3L are eligible. Please check for the 10c mark on drink containers to ensure they are recyclable. Please remove lids from bottles (lids are also recyclable)





Recyclable containers must be bagged up or taped up in cardboard boxes and placed in the trailer/compound area at the drop off point below:

#### 19 Pinot Terrace, The Vines

As this is a Resident's home address, we ask that you follow the rules above and ensure the area is left clean and tidy. Alternatively, containers can be dropped at other Containers for Change locations, quoting The VRRA ID number above

# Renew or Donate: Payment Details

#### MEMBERSHIP DIRECT PAYMENT OPTION

**BENDIGO BANK** 

ACCOUNT NAME The Vines Residents Association

BSB 633-000 ACCOUNT 142658913

REFERENCE Last Name & Street (eg: Smith – Vines Ave)

You can use your credit card via The VRRA website:

https://thevinesra.com.au/become-a-member/

#### Or, renew via this QR code:



#### If you would like to donate towards our 'fighting fund', please use the following account:

#### **LEGAL FUND BANK ACCOUNT PAYMENT OPTION**

**BENDIGO BANK** 

ACCOUNT NAME The Vines Residents Association

> 633-000 BSB ACCOUNT 187023775

REFERENCE Last Name & Street (eg: Smith – Vines Ave)

#### Or, donate via this QR code:

