BCRG update 8 2012, Meeting notes, HBCC letter to EPA, Fed Trail Opening and BRAG News

1) BCRG Community Forum Meeting Notes

The draft meeting notes from the May 16 2012 BCRG forum can be found on the Brooklyn website, <u>http://www.brooklynip.com.au/bcrg-community-forum/</u>. These notes include extra information added from the guest speakers related to questions on the evening.

2) Hobson Bay CC Letter to EPA

Subsequent to a Council resolution, a request was sent to the EPA on the 23 May 2012 for a copy of the dust monitoring results for the Brooklyn monitoring station. A copy of this letter can be found at http://www.brooklynip.com.au/bcrg-updates/.

3) BROOKLYN FEDERATION TRAIL PARK - COMMUNITY CELEBRATION DAY

Brooklyn Residents Action Group Inc. (BRAG) is to conduct a community celebration and park opening along the Brooklyn Federation Trail Park on Sunday 17th June 2012. Meeting place and registration will be at D Duane Reserve, Primula Avenue, Brooklyn - Mel Ref 40 K:10.

The day will commence at 11.00 am and run until 1.00pm when the community will have the opportunity to celebrate with BRAG this wonderful development along the Federation Trail. Displays, giveaways, entertainment and free food will be on offer during this time. At 12 noon, Hobsons Bay Altona North Ward Councillor, Michael Raffoul will host the opening of the park. EPA Victoria Chairman, Cheryl Batagol, State member for Williamstown District, Wade Noonan MP and Hobsons Bay Mayor, Councillor Tony Briffa, will officiate at the opening ceremony.

The planting and developments taking place along the Brooklyn Federation Trail is an initiative of BRAG after they had successfully obtained funding through the State Government Magistrates Courts as part of an EPA Victoria – Inspiring Environmental Solutions initiative. Hobsons Bay City Council has also invested in the development of the Duane Reserve that includes a new children's playground, picnic area and pathway for the Brooklyn community.

BRAG would very much like to thank our supporters / sponsors for their support and encouragement during the project which will see in excess of 10,000 indigenous trees and shrubs planted. These sponsors include Hobsons Bay City Council, Melbourne Water Corporation, VicRoads, EPA Victoria, JBS Australia, Transpacific, Burns Site Development and Toyota Australia who were the major sponsors along with CRT Group, Bakers Delight, Nestle and Wade Noonan MP who supplied in kind and monetary support for the project. Some of the activities on the day include:

- Walks along the recently planted trail between Millers Road and Geelong Road, Brooklyn;
- Edvardo and his accordion on site to entertain the attendees and hand out lollies to the children, donated by Nestle;
- \cdot $\,$ Free tea, coffee, drinks and hot food catered by the Altona Lions; and
- Displays presented by our sponsors / supporters

Come along and have a fun day celebrating the improvements to our new park in Brooklyn.

Bert Boere, Honorary Secretary / Treasurer, BRAG

4) BRAG News – Issue 3

The latest edition of the Brooklyn Residents Newsletter can be found at <u>http://www.brooklynip.com.au/brag-news/</u>.

5) Previous BCRG Meeting Notes

The draft meeting notes from the previous meeting on the 15th February 2012 were confirmed as accurate on May 16, 2012. However it was noted immediately after the meeting that there was an error in the notes at Item 3. This has since been rectified in the final version now published and available at http://www.brooklynip.com.au/bcrg-community-forum/.

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