

**June 2014**

This newsletter is produced and distributed by Brooklyn Residents Action Group Inc. to inform our sponsors /supporters of some of the exciting and interesting developments that are occurring along the Federation Trail in the Brooklyn area.

### **Brooklyn Federation Trail Planting & Celebration:**

Brooklyn Residents Action Group (BRAG) would like to invite you, along with your family, friends and colleagues, to a very special day along Federation Trail. On this day we are to celebrate the completion of the BRAG Federation Trail Development Project that is developing a section of the shared bicycle / walking trail, a part of which links to Werribee along the full length of the Federation Trail and to Caroline Springs along the Kororoit Creek corridor to Brimbank.

This event is to be conducted on Sunday 29 June 2014, commencing at 10am, and is coupled with National Tree Day, when members of the Brooklyn community along with employees of local industries and their families are expected to attend. This event is more than a tree planting day; it is a major celebration of the Federation Trail and brings together the local community with our sponsors and supporters.

Some of the activities on the day include:

- The planting of approximately 500 indigenous trees and shrubs;
- Our resident clown, Edvardo and his accordion, on site to entertain the attendees and hand out lollies and chocolate goodies to the children;
- Entertainment for the children including face painting, tee shirts and colouring books;
- Free tea, coffee, etc and hot food made available during the course of the morning catered by the Altona Lions; and
- A free BBQ sponsored by Bakers Delight and Cedar Meats Australia.

If you can promote this event by distributing the included handbill to friends and/or work colleagues, or attach it to the window in your car, it would be very much appreciated. Log on to the web addresses below for more details.

Hoping to see you on Sunday 29 June for Brooklyn's Tree Day celebration, parking at the west end of Old Geelong Road, Brooklyn - Melway Reference 40; G 10.



**December 2013**



**May 2014**

### **Sponsors and supporters:**

**BRAG** wishes to acknowledge the support of the following organisations in the development of the Federation Trail – Stage 2: *VicRoads, Melbourne Water, Brimbank City Council, EPA Victoria, APA Group, Australian Tallow, Bakers Delight, Burns Earthmoving, Cargill Australia, Cedar Meats, Corrections Victoria, City Circle Demolitions, Delta Group, DEPI 2 Million Trees Project, Fulton Hogan, JBS Australia, Marks Henderson, Millers Inn, Sims Metal Management, Sunshine Groupe, Transpacific Industries, Toyota Australia, Veolia Environmental Solutions, Wade Noonan MP and Friends of Lower Kororoit Creek.*

## VicRoads, EPA Victoria, Maribyrnong, Brimbank & Hobsons Bay City Council News:

**Status of road works:** Somerville and McDonald Roads verge removal works along the designated sections completed in January 2014. Grass seeding of the removed verge sections is programmed for June 2014. Capital Works planned for kerb, channel, pavement, nature strips and tree planting for Alick Road and Frederick Road to be delivered before the 30<sup>th</sup> June. Scheduled Street Sweeping on Alick and Frederick Road along with Justin Road, Amanda Road, Ravenscourt Road and Kalinga Road is to be carried out weekly and when conditions allow it is done twice a week.

**Dust Mitigation:** A large number of companies in the vicinity of the Brooklyn Industrial Precinct have had an EPA improvement notice issued to seal their yards in order to prevent mud being dragged onto the roadways. Jones & Bunting Roads sealing was due back in VCAT in May 2014. EPA modelling shows that sealing these roads would reduce dust levels by over 40%.

**Stockpile Heights:** A review of stockpile heights, base levels and all relevant permits and conditions is currently being undertaken with on-site inspections in the Brooklyn Industrial Precinct.

**New Brooklyn Industrial Precinct Website:** Brooklyn Evolution Project, Living Brooklyn (Integrated Water Cycle Strategy) Plans and Bunting & Jones Roads construction information is available on the website..

[http://www.brimbank.vic.gov.au/INVEST/Brooklyn\\_Industrial\\_Precinct?utm\\_source=BCRG+Update+list&utm\\_campaign=0c6fef0c02-update07\\_2014&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_88ffb1d3bd-0c6fef0c02-35659597](http://www.brimbank.vic.gov.au/INVEST/Brooklyn_Industrial_Precinct?utm_source=BCRG+Update+list&utm_campaign=0c6fef0c02-update07_2014&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_88ffb1d3bd-0c6fef0c02-35659597)

### Hobsons Bay Council Budget 2014-15:

*Brooklyn Reserve & Brooklyn Drains:* No budget provision for works in these areas!

*Lynch Reserve, Dog Off-Leash Area:* \$80,000 allocation in HBCC Draft budget for landscaping & drinking water facilities.

*Federation Trail:* Fence along the centre of trail is soon to be removed. The development of a separate walking track along the Brooklyn section of Federation Trail is being considered at present by Council, VicRoads and Melbourne Water.



Lynch Reserve dog off-lead area



Federation Trail Planting BBQ – June 2014

### Brooklyn Residents Action Group Inc (BRAG):

Our next meeting is to be held at the Brooklyn Hall, Cypress Avenue, Brooklyn, commencing at 7pm, Wednesday 25 June 2014. General Members Meetings: fourth Wednesday of March, June, September and November. Annual General Meeting: September  
<http://www.brooklynip.com.au/brag-news>

**PLEASE COME**

### Brooklyn Community Representatives Group (BCRG):

The BCRG is an opportunity for members of the community, industry, local and state government to discuss issues about the air quality of the general Brooklyn area. It also enables the communication of plans and progress by individual industries, local government and EPA. BCRG has been operating as an open forum since 2008. The next BCRG meeting is on Wednesday 13 August 2014, 6pm for 6.30 pm start at the Brooklyn Hall, Cypress Ave, Brooklyn.

**To improve the Brooklyn pollution issues and amenities we need your support at the meetings!**

**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY MEMBERS:** IT IS VITAL to continue to report offensive odours, waterways or air pollution, call the EPA pollution hotline on 1300 EPA VIC (1300 372 842). Noise reports should be directed to local government customer service centres.