

19 MARCH 2019

## PRESIDENTS' REPORT

### BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC. MEETING

Welcome to all members and visitors to tonight's meeting. We do not have a guest speaker tonight so there is plenty of time for general discussion. Any thoughts for future Speakers would be appreciated.

I review Cardinia Shire Council meeting Agendas and I also review Planning Applications each week. I have not attended any Cardinia Shire Meetings since our last BPA Meeting. I read Agendas principally for matters affecting Beaconsfield. I do not believe that there were any significant Meeting matters or Planning Applications affecting Beaconsfield.

The Autumn Edition of the Beaconsfield Banner was finalised, printed and distributed by 14 March. Thanks to everyone involved in producing the Beaconsfield Banner and in particular , Editor Andrew Brewster .We all need to assist in obtaining more advertising and articles and make the Beaconsfield Banner profitable. In this issue there was a broader range of community articles. A few adverts could not be confirmed before the printing deadline but hopefully they will advertise in the Winter Edition.

The Interactive Touchscreen Project has been delivered, installed and ready for use. The wooden cupboard on the base of the unit will be assembled and attached tomorrow. Cardinia Shire Council have been requested to affix this wooden cupboard to the floor. It is anticipated that the Touchscreen will be fully operational this week and used on Harmony Day to be run by Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre this Saturday. BPA Inc. will have a table on Harmony Day.

We have been busy planning the Anzac Memorial Service to be held on 21 April , 2019.The Traffic Management Plan, Site Plan, and Risk Assessment are prepared by Australian Traffic Control. The Quote from ATC for\$1,074.50 plus GST is higher than previously due to the service being held on a Public Holiday over Easter. Pakenham Police may attend and we are working with Beaconsfield Fire Brigade and others who have participated in previous years. Pakenham Police have raised security issues and use of barriers particularly on Old Princes Hwy. I plan to contact ATC later this week to resolve security requirements. Plans for the Beaconsfield Anzac Memorial Service will be discussed at this meeting. Hopefully the weather will be fine and the day a great success.

On 4 May, the National Trust Heritage Day will be held at Fishermans' Cottage, Tooradin. Further information will be provided as part of the History Report.

Another upcoming event is a Meet the Candidates Forum that we run for the forthcoming Federal Election. Arrangements for this Forum should be discussed tonight.

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