

NEWSLETTER

April 2016

The 416 Group Committee

The following nominations were received for the Committee. As nominations for Committee were less than vacancies all nominees were confirmed as Committee Members for 2016.

President Cec Morgan Vice President John Croker Minute Secretary Vacant **Bob McLoughlin** Treasurer Committee Margaret Frater Committee Julian Ledger Committee John O'Toole Committee Doug Turnock

The Minute Secretary's position is still vacant. This is not an onerous position as currently the Minute Secretary is only required to take Minutes of the two Committee Meetings held each year. Any takers?

Lack of Footpaths In The Area

The Committee is preparing a submission to Council on lack of Footpaths in the area.

The area around Queen Elizabeth Reserve has become a major hub for West Lindfield/West Killara, The Oval itself (which is now lit for night time activities) is used for 'leash free dogs', Football and other activities, day and night. There is also a Children's Play Area, a Tennis Court and a number of All Day Child Care Centres close to the Oval. A significant number of Residents also enjoy a walk around the area. In addition the Bradfield Road verge alongside Queen Elizabeth Reserve has significant erosion problems and gets very muddy during the Football season.

Due to the above, the construction of footpaths around Queen Elizabeth Reserve is a high priority.

If you believe that there are other priority areas please contact the President or a Member of the Committee.

Community Fire Units

Training of CFU Members has continued during the fire danger months. The training sessions have been well attended and Fire & Rescue NSW have been very supportive in assisting with the training and updating the fire fighting equipment used by CFU Members.

National Parks have advised that there is a hazard reduction burn, in the Park behind the southern end of Albert Drive, scheduled for 2017. The remainder of Albert Drive and the end of Charles Street is scheduled for the following year.

Ryde Waste Management and Recycling Centre

Over the past few months activity at the Centre has significantly reduced. The Centre is now only open from 7.00 am to 3.00 pm Monday to Friday and closed Weekends and Public Holidays.

Also due to a reduction in throughput, green waste disposal is to be relocated to the covered area of the Centre.

Part of the current green waste disposal area is being leased from City of Ryde Council. As the lease will be terminated the Committee will monitor Council's future plans for the land.

For your information due to falling metal prices a charge has recently been introduced for scrap metal.

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