



THE PARKVILLE ASSOCIATION Inc.

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NEWSLETTER

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Notice of Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 2 March 2004

The Annual General Meeting of the Parkville Association will be held Tuesday 2 March 2004 at 8.00 p.m. in College Church Hall, 188 Gatehouse Street, Parkville. Nominations and election of office-bearers will take place at the meeting. Please ensure that your membership is in good standing in order to be eligible to vote.

Notice of Special Motion

Following the recent establishment of the Protectors' of Public Lands (Victoria) group, the following motion will be put forward. Information on this group will be available at the meeting.

"That the Parkville Association demonstrate support for the worthy aims of the Protectors' of Public Lands (Victoria) by donation of the sum of \$100 towards its work".

Three Parkvillians Honoured on Australia Day

Warmest congratulations to:

Dr Robin Batterham AO, for service to science, engineering and technology through promoting collaboration, excellence and innovation to enable Australian industry to remain internationally competitive and innovative.

Professor Adrienne Clarke AC, for service to science and academia as a leading international researcher, for the application of economic benefit to scientific discovery, and for mentoring future leaders.

Dr Robert Williamson AO, for service as a biomedical research scientist in the field of human genetics, as an educator and administrator, and as a major contributor to the debate on ethical issues related to genetics practice.

In Memory of Stan Dean

Cr Kate Redwood has recently advised of Council approval for a memorial park bench to be located in South Parkville, in memory of Stan and his legacy in Parkville.

Parkville Treasures no. 7, by Norah Killip

How to be original

Polychrome brick and stucco/ rendered houses are in their original condition if they are unpainted. Under the heritage regulations which govern our lives in Parkville these treasures may

not be painted as their unpainted condition makes a valuable contribution to the streetscape. Perhaps it is timely to remind Parkvillians that you need a permit to paint your exterior anyway – unless, that is, you intend painting in the same colour.

Parkville, for those new to the district, is that land that stretches from the Moonee Moonee Creek in the West to Royal Parade in the East, and from Park Street in the North to Flemington Road in the South.

McKenzie's Guest House (32 Degraeves Street, Parkville), by the Gee Family

McKenzie's Guest House was first established during the war to provide safe and supportive accommodation for girls and women coming to Melbourne for work from country Victoria. Eventually, there was no longer a demand for this type of accommodation, and the guesthouse changed to accommodate patients and their families attending the major inner-Melbourne hospitals. Almost all of the patients staying in the guest house have come from the country with their families or friends while they have treatment or surgery — some guests stay for just a night or two; some for many weeks. The guesthouse is now also used by medical staff visiting the University of Melbourne, the hospitals, and nearby research and teaching establishments. McKenzie's has rather a special

atmosphere because many of the guests are going through a tiring and unusual period in their lives. Each week there is a feeling of respect and community among the people staying here; some of the visitors have come to McKenzie's several times as they return to the Melbourne hospitals. The guesthouse has a very personal feel to it.

In December 2002 McKenzie's Guest House changed hands. The new owners Chris and Liz Gee, and the manager Tracy Dare have kept McKenzie's much as it was: for a modest cost guests are provided with clean rooms and facilities. Patients and their families are encouraged to come and go as they wish, to receive visitors, and to regard the guesthouse as a home away from home. The Gees write:

"When we took over McKenzie's last year, we decided to replace all the linen, doonas and towels, and to paint and refresh the bedrooms, kitchen and lounge area. We put in new furniture and carpets, painted the whole house, and provided a dishwasher, microwave and new washing machine and dryer. Guests tend to spend time together in the evenings in the lounge and the kitchen chatting to one another, cooking meals or watching television.

There are 8 bedrooms in total, varying from single to family and the guesthouse can accommodate up to 17 people. We feel that it is especially important to help visitors from the country when they come to Melbourne for hospital treatment, and so we are trying to expand our profile in rural areas and among rural medical centres. We hope that, for the cost, our guest house is exceptionally comfortable, clean and friendly, and that it makes the experience of coming to Melbourne for treatment more comfortable for people who can't be at home."

Editor's Note: The name McKenzie's Guest House acknowledges its earlier ownership by Mrs. Bessie McKenzie, long-time resident who, with neighbour Mrs. Elizabeth Chambers, offered comfortable lodgings to families supporting ill relatives at nearby hospitals.

Parkville People

Dr. Eva Eden AM. Hon. LLD.

A resident of Parkville for very nearly twenty years, Eva bought her house while living at Janet Clarke Hall where she was Principal from 1964 to 1984. This was a few years after JCH became independent of Trinity College. Eva's Parkville house offered some peaceful respite at weekends, particularly, when her official telephone extension cleverly masked her actual physical whereabouts!

A distinguished educationist, much of Eva's professional life has revolved around residential colleges. From the University of Sydney, she went to Western Australia where she became the first permanent appointee to St. Catherine's College and enjoyed the excitement of establishing traditions for the future. Following her time at St. Catherine's, Eva moved to the University of Melbourne.

Parkville's proximity to the University was a major factor in Eva's house selection. Her random selection for an Architectural Student residential survey highlighted for Eva the fact that Parkville was particularly well served in respect of all the facilities, shops and services that she valued most. Eva estimates that 90% of activities can be done without a car if one enjoys walking and using public transport, so having completed certain renovations of her house, Eva moved in during 1984.

Post-retirement, Eva's contribution to public and community service has continued. Noteworthy for Parkville is her five-year term as the first Area Coordinator for Parkville's Neighbourhood Watch programme. Monthly meetings were conducted with great efficiency, and a Newsletter was produced regularly. She was also a willing volunteer who helped key in text for the revised edition of the South Parkville book – after all, Eva had adopted her own Mac in 1984 when Macs were first released.

A keen bush walker and associate of some twenty years with the Melbourne University Alumni Bush walking Group, Eva has served that Group as Secretary and Treasurer. She is also a keen theatergoer and enjoys music.

Eva hopes that Parkville can retain a real sense of community – a place where people are considerate of others, where it is safe to walk alone at night, where friendliness pervades community functions and where daily activities include the pleasure of a cordial exchange along the way.

Deepest Sympathy

Our sincere condolences to Les and Alan, Wayne and Nikki, and Mavis Brown on the recent loss of George.

An Invitation

All who live or work in Parkville are welcome to join the Association so don't miss the opportunity to play your part in the Parkville community. Become a member by completing the form below, attend our functions, and use your Association to take up your concerns.

Memberships are for the calendar year January – December 2004. If you have overlooked renewal, please use the renewal form below. Do please include an email address if you have one – that way we can keep you up-to-date with the latest news and activities.

MEMBERSHIP/DONATION FORM

Name:	Phone:
Address:	Email:
Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> or New Member <input type="checkbox"/> (please tick)	
Annual membership – Individual \$15 Concession \$7.50 Family \$35 Life membership – Individual \$150	
And/or donation for Heritage Fund \$..... and/or General Fund \$.....	

Total amount enclosed \$.....

Cheques should be made payable to The Parkville Association Inc.

Send form and payment to The Treasurer, Parkville Association, PO Box 54, Parkville 3052.

A BRIEF GUIDE TO PARKVILLE SHOPS & SERVICES

Name	Services	Hours of Opening
Café Lana, 369 Royal Parade	Coffee & etc.	Mon – Fri 7.30 a.m. – 4.30 p.m.
Laureate Coffee Shop, 441 Royal Parade	Coffee & etc.	7 days 6.30 a.m. – 11.00 p.m.
Laundrette, corner Park Drive & Wimble Streets		7 days 7.30 a.m. – 10.30 p.m.
Mink Hair & Body, 51 Royal Parade	Unisex hairdresser & etc. [In Feb. : Thurs. & Fri. to 6 p.m. only; Sat. 9.00 a.m.– 6.00 p.m.]	M – Tues 9.30 a.m. – 6.30 p.m. Wed. 9.00 a.m. – 8.00 p.m. Thurs – Fri 9.00 a.m. – 8.00 p.m. Sat. 8.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
Naughton's Hotel, 43 Royal Parade	Rossetti's Pizza & Pasta [Hours may change in March]	Mon – Fri. 12.00 – 2.00 p.m. & 6.00 – 9.00 p.m.
Parkville Newsagency, 55 Royal Parade	Kodak photo prints, Drycleaning, Metcards	Mon – Fri 7.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m. Sat 7.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. Sun 7.00 a.m. – 10.00 a.m.
Parkville Post Office, corner Fitzgibbon & Bayles Streets	Bills payment, stock includes gifts & cards	Mon – Fri 7.30 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
Parkville Store, corner Morrah & Wimble Streets	Dairy & general, fruit & veg., also salads & home-cooked meals & catering	Mon – Fri 7.30 a.m. – 7.00 p.m. Sat & Sun 7.30 a.m. – 2.00 p.m.
Rene Take Away Food, 53 Royal Parade	Coffee bar	Mon – Fri 8.00 a.m. – 6.30 p.m. Sat 8.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Note: This brief guide is intended as an aid for newcomers to the area; the Parkville Association makes no claims or recommendations for any of the businesses/ services listed.

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