



# THE PARKVILLE ASSOCIATION Inc.

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## NEWSLETTER

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**General Meeting – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2004 at 7.30 p.m.,  
Performance Centre, University High School, Story Street, Parkville**

**Guest Speaker: The Hon. Lindsay Tanner MHR  
Federal Member for Melbourne & Shadow Minister for  
Communications, and for Community Relationships**

**\*\*\*Note the early start and the change of venue for this meeting\*\*\***

### Calendar of Events 2004 – update your Diary NOW! Friends and guests welcome.

Event	Date & Time	Details
Committee Meeting	1 June 8.00 p.m.	All welcome to attend
Winter Warmer Dinner	6 July at 6.30 p.m.	Community dinner: a gourmet treat
Committee Meeting	3 Aug at 8.00 p.m.	All welcome to attend
General Meeting	7 Sept at 8.00 p.m.	Speaker & topic to be advised
Committee Meeting	5 Oct. at 8.00 p.m.	All welcome to attend
Cup Day – Champers in the Park	2 Nov at 5.00 p.m.	Adjacent to Native Garden – note special time
Committee Meeting	7 Dec. at 8.00 p.m.	All welcome to attend
<b>Venue:</b> Meetings are held at College Church Hall, 188 Gatehouse Street, Parkville, unless otherwise noted.		

#### Parkville Association Spokesperson on Royal Park

Jean Leitinger has generously agreed to continue as the official spokesperson on matters affecting Royal Park, and has thus been co-opted to serve on the current Committee. This was omitted from the listing in the previous Newsletter.

#### Future Parkville Ensemble Concert

The Ensemble will give a concert during 2004, possibly in *mid-June*. Watch for details on another of the Ensemble's delightful concerts.

#### Parkville Treasure No. 9, by *Norah Killip* *Decoration Part 1*

West Parkville, the oldest of the three Parkville's, has some interesting examples of applied decoration.

On the earliest houses it is usual to find cast iron used to embellish the verandah. There is a nice example of an early pattern at 123 Manningham Street.

In the late nineteenth, and early twentieth centuries it is more usual to have the house decorated with terracotta ridge tiles, applied stucco work, and wooden verandah posts with carpentry work for the frieze. There are some fine examples of this in West Parkville, and it is worth taking a walk to look at the house called 'Monaro' on the corner of Southgate Street and Flemington Road for its rondel on the southern side and art nouveau lettering in Southgate Street. Perhaps the most interesting verandah is at 25 Manningham Street, with its finely carved filigree work. There are other interesting houses particularly the stucco work under the eaves of the house on the NW corner of Church Street.

**Local Playwright at La Mama**

Written by Sarah Mainwaring and Lloyd Jones, this autobiographical monologue is performed by local drama student Sarah and others. Performances dates are May 7-9, 14-16 & 21-23 at 6 p.m. Booking information: 'phone 9347 6142.

**Heritage Strategy for City of Melbourne**

MCC is embarking on development of a Heritage Strategy to set priorities and actions for the next five years. The Association is contributing to this process primarily through its heritage representative (Kay Thorne). It appears that heritage is to be defined far more broadly than currently; while this change has a positive side, care will be needed to ensure that the value of physical heritage objects such as buildings is not diminished. It is important to recognize that the loss of relatively minor items of heritage significance is cumulative in effect. It is also relevant to note that strategies appropriate on a state level may not be appropriate on a municipal level, and that some current processes would benefit from adjustment.

**Commonwealth Games & the Park**

Jean Leitinger reports that the Royal Park Protection Group is seeking *pro bono* legal assistance to challenge some of the new works

which contravene regulations by siting too close to the heritage buildings.

**Local Hospitals Plans**

Future plans were outlined at the Association's General Meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2004 by CEO of Women's & Children's Health, Prof. Kathy Alexander, and senior executives. The Royal Women's Hospital is to be redeveloped on the Royal Melbourne Hospital site by 2007; details are to be found at

[www.Health.vic.gov.au/rwhproject/](http://www.Health.vic.gov.au/rwhproject/)

A feasibility study is in progress for developments at the Royal Children's Hospital. Traffic impact was one of the issues raised, and it was agreed by the CEO that ideally the Gatehouse Street entry would be removed to Flemington Road.

**Eastern Precinct**

Becton's revised plan for the Eastern Precinct is still unsatisfactory, and the Parkville Association continues to support Melbourne City Council and the Carlton Residents' Association in opposition to a development that threatens damage to the heritage, the structure and social fabric of the area.

**Traffic Action**

The Parkville Traffic Action Group continues its work and is to meet in the last week of April with Councillors, and traffic planners including Haig Poulsen and Geoff Robinson, to progress issues associated with the Northern Central City Corridor Strategy (still under ministerial review).

**Parking Permits**

Parking permit renewals are currently being processed. As the conditions of issue are not included with renewals, it is important to remind residents that if the scheme is to continue successfully we need to ensure that permits are not used illegally. Permits are for the use of the designated house only and may not be sold or given to other people wanting to use our scarce parking.

*Membership reminder – membership payments for January – December 2004 are due. If you have overlooked renewal, please use the renewal form below.*

<b>MEMBERSHIP/DONATION FORM</b>			
<b>Name:</b>		<b>Phone:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>		<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Renewal or New Member (please circle)</b>			
<b>Annual membership</b>	<b>– Individual \$15</b>	<b>Concession \$7.50</b>	<b>Family \$35</b>
<b>Life membership</b>	<b>– Individual \$150</b>		
<b>And/or donation for Heritage Fund \$..... and/or General Fund \$.....</b>			

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