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NEWSLETTER

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Season's Greetings to all in Parkville

My good wishes to all of you in Parkville for very happy end of year celebrations at Christmas and for a peaceful, healthy and fulfilling New Year in 2005.

I wish all of you and your families a happy, safe and joyful Christmas celebration. And whatever your plans for the January holidays, I hope that they will bring you fun, refreshment and peace. I say this conscious that many of us seem to have lives overfilled with pressures and time constraints especially around Christmas-time, and January is a vital time to relax and get our breath back. To those of us who are lonely, sick or sad, the Parkville Association Committee joins me in sending our support and friendship. Tell us if you feel we can help. We are incredibly fortunate to be able to care and share together in fun, freedom and our own space in these unique

surroundings. We are custodians of this special environment and it is a great privilege to be part of a community that clearly understands this and is prepared to put huge efforts into preserving it in Parkville.

Thank you to the many people who have given so much of their time, effort and expertise towards all the activities that have gone on this year. We continue to be highly respected and listened to as a serious contributor not only to preservation of Parkville but generally to planning, heritage and traffic mitigation in Melbourne and Victoria. We also continue to be treated to some superb social and cultural events offered virtually free.

Have a great festive season!

Tim Todhunter, *President.*

Calendar of Events 2004 & early 2005 - update your Diary NOW! Friends and guests welcome

Event	Date & Time	Details
General Meeting	Tues 7 Dec 2004 at 8.00 pm	College Church Hall, 188 Gatehouse Street, Parkville
Committee Meeting	Tues 3 Feb 2005 at 8.00 pm	College Church Hall
Annual General Meeting & Election of 2005 Committee	Tues 3 March 2005 at 8.00 pm	College Church Hall

Fantastic Music from the Parkville Ensemble

"A light entrée followed by a substantial main course!" the superb program notes announced: first it was Rossini's Duetto for cello and double bass - delightful. This was followed by a vibrant, sparkling performance of Schubert's Quintet in C major. It was a super concert, the Hall was packed with people and there was lively chat over bubbly and nibbles, following the performance. How fortunate we are to have musicians of this calibre to offer such performances. All proceeds - a total of \$1120 - were donated to the Royal Children's Hospital, a splendid result.

A thank you also to Colin Duckworth and Norah Killip for the extra touches they

provided to hosting the post-concert socialising.

Cup Day Celebration No Fizzer

The traditional celebration of Melbourne Cup Day was held in College Church Hall due to rain; but was still a very jolly occasion. Special thanks to Kathy & Tony Kalogirou of the Parkville Store for the delicious savouries provided. Since then, many of us have had the opportunity of inspecting the Stan Dean memorial seat in Ivers Reserve, particularly on 26/11/04 when a very well-attended BBQ was held on the Reserve.

State and Local Institutions' Strategic Planning Initiatives

Members of the Planning and Heritage Subcommittee met in November with the

Chairman and members of the State Government Parkville Strategic Planning Committee, Melbourne University Planning and Development staff and with the Royal Women's Hospital for discussions on those institutions' current planning programs. The Parkville precinct will be impacted by these proposed developments and we must be involved in the process throughout (not just at the 'community consultation' stage). Consultants are being or have been appointed by the institutions to develop their plans and strategies in detail. Parkville is fortunate in having the substantial depth and breadth of professional expertise and knowledge it has, to ensure that the Association is able to contribute meaningfully. Each of the meetings in November were at the preliminary stages of a longer process and each of the parties have been invited to address a General meeting of the Association in the New Year.

The Association continues to contribute actively and in detail to State and Council planning matters and planning amendments through The Combined Residents Association where again our professional expertise and professional approach are well recognised.

Parkville Through Traffic, by *Stuart Riley*
MCC Engineers' traffic counts are now available for "rat-running" off Royal Parade onto local streets and off Gatehouse St into Ievers Reserve. Further information is available at www.bassdata.com.au/ptag.

Traffic issues will be presented and discussed at the Parkville Association General Meeting on 7th December 2004 at 8.00 pm in College Church Hall.

Proposed Speed Humps (Corporation Lanes) Ievers Reserve, by *Stuart Riley*
MCC recently sent a questionnaire to some Gatehouse Street and Park Drive residents canvassing the construction of speed humps in Ievers Reserve between Bayles & Morrah Streets. PTAG (Parkville Traffic Action Group) supported the initiative and further requested MCC Engineers to expand the consultation process including residents of all properties that back onto Ievers Reserve. Safety for children that play in Ievers Reserve is the highest priority for PTAG.

PTAG encourages all Parkville residents to:-

1. Report traffic accidents, problems and incidents (stuart@bassdata.com.au, 9347 5431).
2. Attend PTAG meetings, dates of which are published at www.bassdata.com.au/ptag.
3. Get involved with specific traffic issues in their street or part of Parkville.

Parkville Treasures No. 12, by *Norah Killip* *Decoration Part 3*

South Parkville is a charming segment of late Victorian buildings. Still intact, and proudly flaunting its urns, pediments and other decorative elements which were mostly over-applied by tradesmen from job lot collections, thus anticipating the late 19th century decline in Victorian taste. What we know as 'Boom Style' is often referred to as meretricious in England.

Enjoy the colours from early morning skies showing the details on the facades, and the theatricality of pediments against a fading sky in the late evening.

Norah will be taking a sabbatical next year. However she hopes to conduct a walk on the early 1880's in South Parkville in late winter.

Happy Birthday to two of our Treasures, **Eva Eden and Barbara Falk**

Congratulations and best wishes to Eva Eden on her approaching 80th birthday on 5/12/04 and to Barbara Falk whose birthday was celebrated in mid November. Both continue to contribute to Parkville Association activities and to the community in which they live.

Christmas Church Services for Parkville

Anglican (The Canterbury Fellowship, Trinity College Chapel, Royal Parade)
Fri 24 Dec at 11.00 pm Carols sung by the Choir, followed by Choral Eucharist at 11.45 pm.

Catholic (St. Carthage's, 123 Royal Parade)
Fri 24 Dec at 6.30 pm Family Mass; 11.15 pm Carols followed by Midnight Mass. Sat 25 Dec Christmas Day Mass at 10.00 am.

Russian Orthodox - English Speaking (College Church, Cnr Royal Pde & The Ave)
Fri 24 Dec at midnight - Divine Liturgy; Sat 25 Dec at midnight - Divine Liturgy.

Uniting Church (Union Memorial Church, 55 Curzon St, North Melbourne)
Sat 25 December 9.30 am Christmas Day service.

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP - TIME TO JOIN or RENEW !

Memberships are for the calendar year January - December 2005.

Name:		Phone:	
Address:		Email:	
Renewal	or	New Member	(please circle)
Annual membership - Individual		\$15	Concession \$7.50
Life membership	- Individual	\$150	Family \$35
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.			

STOP PRESS: Victoria Police's new 'e-Crimewatch' is being piloted in Parkville. Find out more at www.carltonpccc.com/parkville.

Seen something unusual or suspicious? Don't forget Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000 or 000.